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ONE of our German pastors writes: "For more than six weeks I have prayed for nothing save the Holy Spirit; and I may say the Lord has heard my cry, for last Sunday the 'net brake.' There was no more room in the church for others. I thank God that he brought me out into the Congregational Church, for in the —— Church I was dead in trespasses and sins, and yet self-righteous. Baptized, confirmed,—and yet a heathen!" A revival of religion, not with much observation or many extra meetings, but deep and quiet, is going on here. People who have for years ignored Christianity are taking up family worship and becoming regular church attendants. Is it any wonder when one goes to the fountain-head for help?

A GRADUATE from Crete Seminary found that a man in his field had been excluded from the church on account of drunkenness and the abuse of his family. Moved at the sight of the beautiful children, he resolved to save the man for their sakes. He "boarded around" among the people as the easiest way of raising his salary, and soon obtained an invitation to board in this home. After a few days he found the wife much cast down. She said, "Husband is to plaster a saloon to-morrow—I think you would better find another place by evening." "Cannot I help in some way?" he asked. She thought not. When the husband came home our student soon learned from his own lips what he would do the next day, and offered himself as mason's assistant. Thinking it a joke, the plasterer took him up and wondered how the young man would get out of his promise. But the young man was on hand. All day he stood at the work and proved himself very apt, for he had learned the trade. His hands were sore and bandaged for several days, but the plasterer came home sober that night, and thinks there is no one like this young man. We call this real missionary work!

HOW IT LOOKS TO A GERMAN PROFESSOR.

BY PROF. A. A. ZÜELLIG.

I READ the pages of this magazine faithfully and with sincere interest. I believe that your present task of sowing the seeds of Christianity in the remotest valleys of this broad land, is truly meritorious. But I think you are somewhat puzzled about the ways and means of reaching the hearts and souls of the civilized German immigrants; and therefore, as I have had peculiar facilities for studying religious thought and life abroad, and have been a close observer of American religions also, I will venture a few remarks on this subject of Christianizing the Germans.

It would seem that to win souls, of whatever nationality, we must have strong personal convictions and something which Americans call "tact."

Germans, having been brought up in State churches, feel an instinctive dislike to "sects." They look upon an enthusiastic sectarian as a hopeless crank. They need to be told that in America sects are the expression and outgrowth of religious liberty, which, while allowing dissent in secondary matters, do not preclude love and charity on matters of importance. Especially is it unwise, in the hearing of the German, to make the Roman Catholic Church a target of attack. In Germany, Catholics and Protestants live happily together. They seldom refer to their religious differences.

The American missionary among the Germans will gain nothing by extreme measures in the matter of German moral and social laws. I well remember my own astonishment when I first came to this country, at the remark of a missionary in the West: "What is Christianity? It is, no beer, no tobacco!" To a German brought up from childhood to take his mug of beer with his frugal meal and to see his father smoke the pipe as a daily custom, such a remark seems unjust and uncalled for, and disgusts him with the American religion. The true American Christian will agree with me, I think, that while it is cowardly to shirk one's duty in this and every other matter, the habits of a lifetime must be attacked very carefully and with true Christian delicacy. Kindly instruct your German friend that there is a law of the majority in this country which requires good order, pure morals, and temperance.

Please consider that the German mind has for many generations been more impressed with the magical spell of its own national poetry than with the truths of the Bible. This is largely the fault of the German clergy, who have remained stationary, formal, and theoretical; who could not understand the pulse of the national life. These ideas of liberty and progress, which are the truths uppermost in the German mind to-day,

may be traced to the influence of Schiller, Goethe, and Lessing. Lessing, the scholar, was more keenly alive to the religious needs of his beloved German people than were his adversaries; and his warning voice has more than local or transient significance when he lectures the clergy: "Unless Protestant churches keep true to their own vital principles—and what can be more vital for Protestants than the earnest and fearless search after, and assertion of, Religious Truth?—Romanism will speedily be as much ahead of Protestantism as Protestantism has distanced the old Church." It is interesting, at this point, to recall the fact that, of the seven best modern poets of Germany, all have been Protestants.

I do not need to remind Americans of Mr. Emerson's beautiful expression, "The German's Inward Light." The German word, literally interpreted, means, "The inner man swayed by conscience." This is what braced Luther to struggle victoriously against popes, princes, and peoples. It is this quality of the German mind which makes it disdain new formulas and creeds, however plausible, pleasing, or pleading. There is a cry of the soul for *spiritual food*; none is more hungry than the German for this, but none more lynx-eyed to discriminate between the counterfeit and the real Bread of Life.

Finally, the German immigrant should gradually be trained into his new birthright of citizenship in this grand republic, and he will come at last to share in the joy of the children of God; for we find in all true Christianity, of whatever form, one spiritual truth, like a thread of gold: The Love of God and the Brotherhood of the Races.

PERSONAL SKETCHES OF OUR SUPERINTENDENTS.

ON the 10th of July, 1843, MORITZ E. EVERSZ, now Superintendent of the GERMAN DEPARTMENT of the American Home Missionary Society, was welcomed at the home of Captain Louis Eversz, burgomaster of Buderich, on the lower Rhine. He early manifested a strong sense of righteousness and religion. Deeply impressed by seeing drunkards sleeping off their inebriation in his father's prison, the child of five was overheard praying, "Lord, now make me so strong that I can punish all the wicked." In 1849, his parents emigrated to Wisconsin and settled on a farm near Ripon.

At the age of eleven he was sent out to work, for two summers, as a shepherd-boy. Then he was apprenticed to a merchant in Ripon, enjoying three months of schooling two winters.

In July, 1862, he enlisted in the 20th Wisconsin Volunteers, and in ten months held successively the positions of corporal 5th sergeant, 1st sergeant, and 2d lieutenant. His regiment took part in the battle of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, the sieges of Vicksburg, Port Hudson, Fort

Morgan and Spanish Fort, in the expeditions up the Yazoo River, then to Atchafalaya Bayou, to Brownsville, Texas, and Pascagoula, Mississippi. In the operations about Mobile he was obliged to cross a stream known to be planted with torpedoes. His horse stepped on one and was instantly killed. A piece of it cut off the sword scabbard hanging by his heel, while he escaped unhurt, save limbs bruised by the concussion. The last two years he was constantly on detached service, chiefly as aid-de-camp.

Nine months before enlisting, he had been made conscious of his need of a Savior, but felt a lack of that deep conviction of sin then so urgently insisted upon. Over this he almost stumbled, to go his own way. But a faithful pastor showed him that it was not his tears that the Lord wanted, but repentance—a turning away from the world to follow his Master, whom he must trust for all needed feeling. So the reading of the Word and the prayer of his childhood, long neglected, were resumed. His love for dancing, cards, and especially billiards, against which he had often struggled in vain, vanished. It was supplanted by a deeper and purer affection. As a recruit of the great Captain of our salvation he joined the Congregational church with five young men. The prayer circle then begun was kept up in the army until they were separated. The grace of Christ proved to be sufficient to keep him even in the great temptations peculiar to his position as a staff officer. Profanity, tobacco, and strong drink found a constant enemy in him.

The last months of military service agitated the question, Should he seek an education, or re-enter mercantile life? The generous offer of his former employer, the advice of friends, together with his age and lack of means, carried the day. Only a few months were reserved to improve his business education. But on his return from Poughkeepsie, New York, there was some religious interest in his church. The duty of making the most of his life for Christ was deeply impressed upon him, and his desire for a liberal education revived. After a week's struggle in prayer, he resolved to seek an education, believing that the Master would open the way if he had really called him to preach the Gospel.

The criticism of dear friends who thought him "cut out for business," and the beginning at the bottom of the ladder, bore somewhat heavily on his natural pride, but he persevered. No toil which brought needed funds was too humble. He sawed wood, worked in the harvest field, was janitor, insurance agent, and teacher of German. He graduated from Ripon College in 1871, not having lost a week during six years of study, from illness or lack of means. The Lord had opened the way.

His plan to study theology at Yale and Andover was changed by an invitation to study in Oberlin Seminary and teach German in the College. In his middle year he became interested in the church at Pittsfield. At

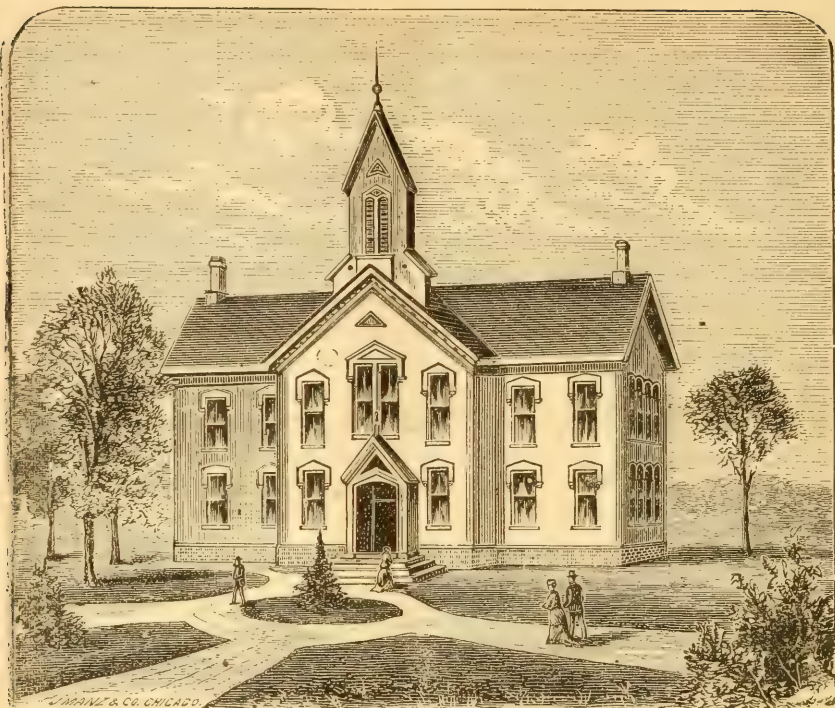
the request of the people he gave up teaching and preached once each Sunday for them. After graduating in 1874, he continued to serve the church until the spring of 1876. He next served the Olivet Church of Columbus for five and a half years. A new and beautiful house of worship was built and paid for under his leadership.

The hope of doing something among his countrymen led Mr. Eversz to feel it his duty to accept the call of the Hanover Street Church of Milwaukee. He soon became attached to the people and identified with the interests of the South Side. The building was much improved and the society cleared of debt during his nearly six years' service. He had been repeatedly requested to accept a superintendency under the American Home Missionary Society. When Mr. Albrecht resigned so unexpectedly, he was again sought for the position, and came to feel that loyalty to Christ demanded its acceptance. In August, 1887, he bade a reluctant farewell to his people to spend a few months in studying the German church problem on German soil, and, in 1888, returned to assume the duties of his new position.

PAY FOR THE PITCHERS.—Dr. Adam Clarke, while preaching to large congregations in Ireland, pictured in glowing terms the freeness of the gospel, dwelling on the point that the Water of Life could be had “without money and without price.” At the conclusion of the sermon a collection was taken up to send the gospel to the heathen. This collection embarrassed the preacher a little, as it seemed to contradict the theme of his sermon. As he was telling the story to a Christian lady afterward, she replied: “Very true, Doctor, the Water of Life is free—without money and without price—but *we must pay for the pitchers to carry it in.*”

This discriminating remark dispels the fog that seems to hang over the minds of some who cannot see that the freeness of water is one thing and the employment of a person to carry it, is quite another thing. The gospel is a free gift, without money and without price; but those who take the glad tidings to others must be supported so that they can carry on their good work.—*Presbyterian Review.*

THE American College and Education Society feels warm interest in the efforts of our Chicago Seminary to train up an effective GERMAN BORN MINISTRY for the vast and growing German population in the United States, and earnestly wishes that churches, or good friends personally, may send to its treasury the means to grant to that seminary the \$2,700 a year, extra, which, though asked for, and much needed months ago, the Education Society is as yet wholly unable to provide. Who will come to the rescue?



WHAT BUILDING IS THAT ?

BY REV. MORITZ E. EVERSZ, SUPERINTENDENT OF THE GERMAN DEPARTMENT.

IT is the cradle in which Doane College was rocked for a number of years. Now it is the shelter of our German Seminary, or better, "Academy," Crete, Nebraska. Not a very imposing structure, you say? No; but it is very *comprehensive*. It includes Dormitory, Boarding and Recitation Hall, Library, Laboratory and Science Hall, *all in one!*

Here our young Germans take a three years' course of study, preparatory to entering Chicago Seminary. More than twenty-five years ago our German pastors urged the necessity of such a school of the prophets. But other needs were great and urgent. Some feared it might retard the Americanization of Germans, and not till 1878 did sentiment so unify that Congregationalists in Iowa and Nebraska on all sides combined in prayer and effort to found a German department in Doane College.

Glad were the hearts of our German brethren, and bright their hopes, when the child was born. But, alas, it proved to be a sort of Siamese-twin arrangement, where the stronger absorbed most of the nourishment. The German child gained no strength, in fact suffered from "suspended

animation" for twelve months in his third year, and it was found necessary to perform an operation, lest he might endanger the life of his stronger brother.

But the operation was "successful," and both were the better for it. Only twice has the Seminary employed any one to plead its cause, and then only for a short time. But the result was subscriptions amounting to about \$10,000—certainly not a small sum when the condition and size of its constituency are considered. But they consisted mostly in long-time notes, etc., gathered in the West, and Western people are not always anchored to the same spot.

The above Hall has been purchased and paid for, but the notes left are not worth over \$5,000. Some have been collected, others are not collectible because subscribers have removed to parts unknown, and still others are so by reason of business reverses.

The institution has always suffered sadly from a want of the necessary funds. Unable to pay its instructors promptly, and destitute of even the ordinary appliances, changes in the force of teachers have been frequent, faith in the success of the school has been weakened, and all has affected the attendance of scholars.

But we thank God that the aspect is changing. The current is setting the other way. Give us the needed equipment and we will raise up men, not alone for the distinctively German work, but not a few who will be doubly efficient by preaching also in English.

IMPORTANCE OF THE SCHOOL.

The years are demonstrating that our German brethren were not in error. The current of immigration scarcely diminishes, and what adds to the difficulty of the problem is the fact that the tendency is more and more strong to settle in solid foreign communities. If we are to come into touch with them, it must be done through the medium of their own tongue. But to do that we must have a class of men who are German-American in spirit.

Meanwhile the arbitrary methods of some of the State churches, and their constant attacks from the pulpit upon everything not bearing their name, are telling in our favor. Doors are opening to us on every hand, and that not infrequently where these churches are long in the field. Let the people really come to know our spirit and liberty, and the work will move on with accelerated speed.

But how shall our little single school meet the demands being made upon it? No nationality is accustomed to a more highly educated ministry. German schools are reaching a high grade of efficiency in this country, and not a few of their ministers are drawn from German universities.

Spiritual power and life are great factors; but can we afford to send young men forth half equipped for the work? Is it just to them, or just to ourselves? Is it real economy?

The Presbyterians, who, next to us, are farthest behind in this work, have two institutions, each of which has six professors and a fair equipment. Yet the General Assembly warmly indorsed an appeal made to it at its last session to have \$100,000 added to the endowment of one of them. Surely the children of the Pilgrim fathers will place this *one* school on a basis of which they need not be ashamed.

The entire expense of this Seminary is less than \$2,000. It has two instructors, whose combined salaries are only \$1,250, and who are doing wonders with their students. Beginning with most of them at the bottom, they take them through the common branches, give them a taste of the sciences, and enough Greek so that they can read the New Testament in the vernacular. Five of its young men are now in the gospel ministry, another will graduate in the spring, and three more of the same, now preparing at Crete, will enter Chicago Seminary in September.

Put the institution on an adequate basis of usefulness, so that the most loyal will not feel compelled to send their sons elsewhere, unless they intend to study for the ministry. Make it so good that it will draw young men who have not the ministry in view, and it will both add to the respect in which pastors are held, and send forth a much larger and better equipped body of men.

WHAT ARE OUR IMMEDIATE NEEDS?

We need another hundred dollars to secure an outfit to illustrate the natural sciences. We need funds to make much needed additions to our library. Our young men must know something of German classics and literature if they are to hold the respect of the people. We need \$500 very soon to pay salaries and running expenses of the school. We need an endowment of \$40,000.

Never were the wants of the institution more imperative than now. With about one third of our churches suffering from drought, some of them so seriously that they must be helped to the necessities of life, their offerings must seriously diminish. We must rely upon our American brethren to help us out.

WE believe in home mission work and in foreign mission work, and we believe as heartily in this kind of foreign mission work at home. There is hardly a country of the globe that is not represented in this land of ours, and whose representatives may not be reached by earnest, loving, consecrated Christian workers.

IMMANUEL KIRCHE.

BY THE PASTOR'S WIFE.

IN April, 1867, the present German Congregational Church, of Dubuque, was organized, through the influence of Rev. Jesse Gurnsey, D.D., then Superintendent of Home Missions for Iowa. He clearly saw what a tremendous influence the German element would wield in this country, and said, "Give them the pure Gospel, and that influence will be a blessing." His great heart beat warmly for all who labored for the Master, using the speech of the Fatherland to win souls to Christ. The present pastor of this church, Rev. H. Ficke, will ever hold him in kindly remembrance, and scarcely expects to meet his like again in this land of his adoption.

The first pastor was never installed, but remained about a year under commission from the American Home Missionary Society. A small frame church was built upon a hill-side, commanding an extended view of the Mississippi River, and the hills of Wisconsin and Illinois; but means were wanting to complete the house of worship, and discouraged, and dissatisfied, the minister resigned, bringing suit against the church for \$1,200, the amount he claimed as due him for his services, in the erection of the building. Most of the few members thus left without a shepherd, sought other church homes, though some were wholly alienated. The small Sunday-school was scattered, and the humble, unfurnished church in its commanding position stood vacant, to proclaim the second failure of German Congregationalism in Dubuque. But He that seeth the end from the beginning knew that there was work in his vineyard that should be accomplished through influences, in which the little church on the hill-side was to be a powerful factor.

A young German, who had labored with success in his native land, came to America to work as a missionary among his countrymen, but, after a year spent in Pennsylvania, felt the need of more thorough preparation, and entered Andover Seminary, where he remained three years, graduating with the class of 1868. There was present at the commencement exercises one who knew of the German church in Dubuque, but being wholly misinformed, told of a flourishing Sunday-school, and an average congregation of fifty, gathered by one of limited ability. He very naturally thought the opening a good one for a young man of education, with a burning desire to work for the Master. After failing to obtain support in establishing a German mission in Chicago, which was the great desire of this laborer, the German church in Dubuque was deemed a proper field, and to it he came in September, 1868.



IMMANUEL KIRCHE.

But alas! the few members were estranged, there was no Sunday-school, and a law-suit was threatened. The building, though plastered, was unpainted, and the only furnishings were a rusty stove, and a few loose benches. Not even these were the property of the church. The first Sunday there were five hearers; no one cared enough about the venture to be even curious. Little by little a foothold was gained, a Sunday-school was organized, a singing class was started, and calls were made wherever there was a possible opening. The poor and sick were sought and found. The rich and cultured, though often as truly needing the comforts of the Gospel, knew nothing of this messenger of our blessed Lord, who was, with much to discourage, endeavoring to establish a church, where all, rich or poor, should be welcome. So year after year passed. At last all debts were paid, and all needed furnishings had taken the place of emptiness; but better than all this was a crowded house, which made a new church a necessity, and through God's good providence, IMMANUEL KIRCHE has rejoiced for over two years in a beautiful sanctuary, wholly free from debt, conveniently arranged, well situated in the German part of the city, and completely furnished throughout.

The Sunday-school now numbers over 400, and the audience-room is well filled week after week. Upon extra occasions chairs have been placed in the aisles, and the adjoining Sunday-school room opened for the overflow. At such times there have been at least 700 persons present.

Thus has one labored, and, with the exception of a short time when partial support was received from the Home Missionary Society, has been dependent almost wholly upon his own resources,—for since the outlook was so gloomy, he could not ask aid from missionary sources. For years the church *could not* give it, all moneys raised being needed to pay debts and improve the property. As a result, it was scarcely known by the denomination that it had a German Congregational church in Dubuque. But God knew of the weary days and sleepless nights, the waiting and praying, with the bitter pain of hope deferred, and blessed be His Holy Name, gave in his own good time the increase.

Whatever success this pastor has achieved, is not due to emphasizing the name "Congregationalism," but to preaching Christ and him crucified, and by incessant pastoral labor. Germans do not object to the Congregational polity,—"sanctified common sense" as has been said by Professor Park,—but they do object to strong denominationalism.

THE question to day is not "Who is my neighbor?" but "Whose neighbor am I?"

EVANGELISCHE CHRISTUS KIRCHE.

OUR German Congregational work here in Detroit, Mich., has been in existence but a short time, and consequently it is not much we have to say about it. Not much in one way, and yet very much in another way. Not much, when we look at our field in man's way, a great deal, if we look at it in the way God would have us look.

The work was begun at the beginning of last June; until then no definite German organization had been formed. However, much good preparatory work had been done by faithful workers, through the means of an English Sunday-school, especially a more or less well-attended German Bible Class. Now a German church has been organized, which was also formally recognized by Ecclesiastical Council on October 6. The new organization numbers at present forty-seven members. In addition to it we have the usual number of auxiliary organizations,—a ladies' society, a choir, a children's missionary band, and since last month also a young people's society. Of these societies, the Children's Missionary Band is especially dear to us. The little ones themselves have taken the name "Little Clingers," and in their own words have made this their object: "To try to help missions and lead others to Christ, and trust God all our life."

The German language is always used in our church services, while the different societies use the English as well as the German, according to the preference of each. We are not trying to establish a little Germany in America. Languages and nationalities are not within our province. It is our one desire that all nations of the earth shall come and worship before the Lord. It is the burden of our prayers that this little German Congregational church shall become a real Zion in Detroit. It is here where the divine aspect of this and every field of Christian work comes in; and as we know God's promises, we rest on the assurance, "My word shall not return unto me void." God is a much greater God for the good of men than for their ill.

Since this work was begun, we have been searching in this city for what the Germans call "*Die Stillen im Lande*," the faithful ones who have not bowed their knees to Baal. We have found a few and a vast amount of churchly worldliness,—a powerful current which rushes on and absorbs whatever can be absorbed. We too are in danger of being absorbed. Here is the point where we meet the greatest need of this city—men who will try in the name of the Most High to stop this current.

The need of our German work, and all work among the foreign population, is the love of the Christian people of America. We want not your

money, and not your interest, not even your sympathies alone; we need your LOVE—love deep and pure,—the same kind as was revealed of God in our dear Lord and Master Jesus Christ.

WORK AMONG THE GERMANS IN IOWA.

By REV. CARL HESS, GENERAL MISSIONARY, GERMAN DEPARTMENT.

THE German churches in Iowa are not numerous; but we believe that after our work is fairly begun and well managed, that among a half million of German people, these will multiply. No doubt our German churches would have kept pace with the English churches, if the conditions on our side had been favorable. That they were not, we shall prove later on in this article.

Our German churches have done much to spread Congregational ideas, support the American Home Missionary Society, and proclaim genuine, living Christianity. We have some missionary churches which even though they never become self-supporting, should be allowed to live indefinitely, because they are doing as much for the general cause of Christ as many a wealthy self-supporting church is doing. For instance: One such German missionary church in this State sends three promising young men to the Seminary who are preparing themselves for the ministry—three young men out of a church of forty-five members! According to this proportion we would expect ninety-three such young men from the First Congregational Church in Chicago. Long live all churches whether missionary or self-supporting, that furnish us with ministers of the Gospel!

Our aim is to lead a missionary church to self-support as soon as possible. German ministers hasten toward this end, and most of them live on very meager salaries. This is not because the Germans give less in proportion to their means, but because the churches ask less from the Missionary Society. Americans are famous the world over for their generosity, but German Christians are not less generous in the support of missions.

By the superficial observer, the German's thriftiness is often mistaken for worldliness, his judicious economy for avarice, and his strict honesty for old-fashioned simplicity. These three mistaken and ill-defined characteristics give the German a strong character, but do not in the least prevent him from being liberal in the right direction.

Iowa is the cradle of German Congregationalism in this country. About forty years ago Rev. P. Flury labored for the American Home Missionary Society among the Germans, in Dubuque and vicinity. Rev. C. V. Hess was commissioned to labor as missionary fifty miles north of

Dubuque. Both of these pioneer ministers, however, remained here but a short time. The former soon returned to Switzerland, and the latter, after a pastorate of seven years at Farmersburg and Garnavillo, died at the age of forty-two. Although the progress of the work was thus retarded, yet the good seed sown by these two fathers of German Congregationalism did spring up in due time in this and in other States, in spite of many difficulties. Some of these difficulties we will now point out.

The very word CONGREGATIONAL has much to do with the slow progress of our work. This name was a strange word to most Germans; and the "Congregational Church" for a long time was naturally regarded with suspicion. Hence to lead them into the Congregational church required much time and patience on the part of the pastor. In our day, however, this church is better known, and the means of teaching our German countrymen the Congregational polity are now placed freely in our hands, as never before.

Again, how could our German Congregational churches multiply, so long as we had no GERMAN SEMINARY? When some American churches in Iowa became pastorless, forty or fifty years ago, where did they get their ministers? There were no theological seminaries in the West at that time. They simply called them from their seminaries at the East. But whence did our German ministers come? Directly from Germany. But, as a rule, they were anything but Congregational.

Now we have an Academy at Crete, Nebraska, where our young men study three years, after which they take a three years course at the German Department of our theological seminary at Chicago. These young ministers ought certainly to be thorough-bred Congregationalists. And yet we would not fail to mention that some of our most scholarly men, and men who are most loyal to our church, have come to us from Germany. May the dear Lord raise up many such men who will lead the thousand of unconverted Germans to Christ in the direct, simple, and Christian way, as taught in the Bible and by the Congregational church!

The slow progress of our work in former years was due also to the fact that we had no church paper of our own. Our German churches somehow managed to live over thirty years without this important factor, but they were almost as isolated as Robinson Crusoe on his island. They knew very little of other Congregational churches and their pastors. But the "Kirchenbote" is now supplying this want. This affords us who are organizing new churches, a great help to get the uninitiated acquainted with our church polity and entire work.

Another reason for the slow growth of our German work was the want of a General Superintendent. Since such a one was appointed by the American Home Missionary Society, the work has been more systematized

and unified. The individual churches do not stand alone as they used to. The Superintendent, Eversz, organizes new churches, and he is vigilant as to the kind of men that occupy the different fields.

By request of the German Association of Iowa, and by the recommendation of Superintendent Eversz, a General Missionary was appointed by the Iowa Congregational Home Missionary Society, for the purpose of extending the work among the Germans in Iowa. The lot fell upon the writer of this article. In January he began his work in Sioux City. A small congregation and Sunday-school were gathered, and there was a deal of interest manifested; this continued to increase, so that a church of sixteen members was organized on February 16. Since then the membership has increased largely. A church building that cost with lot \$2,300 was built during the summer, and was dedicated September 14. Rev. Franz Egerland is now the pastor. The church lot was granted by a member of the church, and he has promised another for a parsonage.

Early in the spring, the General Missionary began to labor also near Merville and at Wolf Dale, Woodbury Co., Iowa, both being large German settlements, about twelve miles apart. The present pastor of this field is Rev. Gottfried Badertscher. A church of twenty-six members was organized at Merville, September 21; this membership has also increased. The Lord grant his richest blessing upon those two pastors and their flocks!

The German Congregational ministers of Iowa, held their annual association at Fort Atkinson, September 25. It was well attended. It is evident that in Iowa we have entered upon a new era in the history of German Congregationalism. Being encouraged in our work as never before, we shall with the dear Lord's help and guidance "attempt great things for God, and expect great things from Him."

FROM A WORKER.

THE work here is a new one, as the country is new. Eight years ago no white man lived here. Most of the people in these counties (McPherson, So. Dak., and McIntosh, No. Dak.) are Germans coming from South Russia; and in all the surrounding counties there are many of them. They are more religious than some other Germans. They like church, and are attending to it. As they live in sod houses, all our meetings are held in sod private houses, which sometimes are filled in every corner. In several places the people tried to build a church, but they were kept from it by the poor crops.

The work under my care is in eleven places. In all these places we have regular preaching and prayer-meetings. In three of them are organized churches. Two years ago, when I started work here, I found two

organized churches and one other preaching-place. Then I went to another station as I was invited and accepted by the people. Soon I found other assemblies which had no minister and were not united with any church. In some places we started meetings. Two of these stations are committed to Brother Hetzler's care. For me are now eleven left.

Not in every place are there many people; but they have their meetings every week. If I am not there they read the sermon and have their prayer-meeting.

This winter we have had a special blessing. We had revivals in six places on my field. Many saw their sinful condition and cried to God for help. Persons who have been seeking Christ for years have now found him. Others who commenced to cry for pardon this winter are pardoned. Sunken sinners, who did not want anything of Christ, are now rejoicing in his grace. Children have given their hearts to Christ, and have received the Holy Ghost. Meetings and old Christian people are revived.

One man who had sought Christ for years was on one day specially longing for peace. The meeting was over, and he could not believe. He would give everything, he so much wanted the kingdom of God. It seemed to him he could not live any more; rather he would lose everything, but would not leave the place without Christ. And Christ saw that lost man, came to him, and accepted him that very day.

One noon, when we were to have service, a man on the way to the meeting-house with his wife and child, found his Savior, left his wife on the road, and ran to tell us the good news. Last night a mother told us about her little son. Something in her house had been broken. Her boy, about nine years of age, who had found the Christian life, was asked if he broke it. He answered "No." But soon he walked from one corner of the room to the other. At last he came with tears and confessed that he told a lie (*lüge*). Then he was called to the table. He came and spoke his prayer, but went away after prayer to the kitchen-room. The mother meant by this that he cried to God for pardon, then he came to take his meal.

A servant-girl would not leave the meetings before she might have peace. A young man will stay in this country that he may find his Savior. Many are willing now to unite with our church.

Work is very much here. We need more workers. We could have ten or fifteen more places. It would be better if for every three or four stations there could be a minister. I cannot stay very long in one place, and the brethren themselves are compelled to take care of their meetings. Here, where the work and the country are new, the troubles are more and greater than on old fields. The people do not understand anything of American denominations. They are likely to believe what they are

told. In revivals very often others come in to get the Christian people to their church. Sometimes Christians speak badly one of another to win the people. Other things sometimes happen in a meeting. So that a minister is strongly needed. We should make many pastoral visits. In their homes, we can best speak to the people, and they can get acquainted with us.

One man, who was a week in one of our revival places, wished that something could be done in his town. He invited me to come, but I find no time to go there. A young man came from a distance of about ten miles and stayed three weeks with us. He wants to find Christ. He has gone home, but he needs Christian help.

The work is hard for the body. I never knew mission work till I came here and saw it myself. There is sometimes a drive of twenty or thirty or forty miles on stormy days. Sometimes it is a week or more till one gets home. In the homes of new settlers we cannot expect more comfort than they have themselves. Several do not have more than one room, and have a large family. Many do not get much food, and the minister has to share with them. Sometimes he has to sleep on hay. In all this Christ is with his servants, and strengthens them.

Those ministers who are most blessed by God ought to be willing to go to such new places and leave the old work for the younger ministers. So far as I know, there is now not any English minister and no English preaching in many towns. Our German field, with four organized churches and three or four preaching places, has had no minister for nearly a year. If we had plenty of means, we could have found a minister for that field.—*Rev. H. Vogler, Eureka, So. Dak.*

BY THE WAY.

THE honest and always earnest words of our GERMAN BRETHREN of the Western Associations, added greatly to the interest of the meetings. The unusual combinations of English words gave an air of charming originality to the most familiar truths.

It was good to shake hands with that German missionary wife who, on receipt of marriage fees from her husband, promptly places the same in the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society. This year these "sacrifice gifts" have amounted to twenty-five dollars.

WE have driven thirty miles over the prairie to meet an appointment at Bowdle, South Dakota. At noon, Superintendent Wiard and the ladies arrive at the little home missionary parsonage, where they receive hearty welcome, and are ushered into the cozy room which serves the fourfold purpose of parlor, sitting-room, living-room, and pastor's study.

WE are in the drought region, and the mind of the missionary wife is anxiously intent upon the absurd lack of proportion between the healthy appetites of her guests and the scant provision in the missionary larder. The observant Superintendent reads her thought and disappears. He soon returns with a big wagon, a pair of horses, two dogs, and a gun. The whole family are invited to a prairie chicken hunt. Such an outing as it is for these overworked missionaries, and how quickly it chases away the shadow of anxiety from the face of the beloved wife!

The Superintendent is a "sure shot," and the merry party return in triumph to the parsonage with eight fat prairie chickens for the enrichment of the missionary larder. A similar excursion gives us an opportunity to examine the jack-rabbit, prairie wolf and dog, a gopher, and a fine specimen of the white hawk. Let it be said in this connection that the singing birds and innocent animals are never molested by this noted marksman.

Our efforts to assist the patient wife in preparing the chickens for the anticipated meal, serve, at least, to amuse the children.

WOULD that a score or more of the "uninterested" had sat in the Bowdle Home Missionary Church that evening, and seen the faces, and felt the influence of those brave people who count it all joy to make sacrifices for the Gospel's sake, although struggling with the *fourth season* of crop-failure. "We cannot afford," said one, "to be shut out from a share in the blessed work."

A KNOCK at the parsonage door next morning, and we are introduced to the pastor of a German-Russian church, not far away. He is here to lay the sad case of his people before the Superintendent.

"Fifty families among my people," he says, "suffer to-day for want of food and clothing. They are not to blame. You know they do not beg. You know they are not idle. They work, they save, they have no crops, and now they suffer, they starve. They would gladly work, but alas! everything is against us—we are helpless."

The tearful eyes and broken voice are pathetic, and there are tears in other eyes. Turning suddenly to the traveler, he exclaims, "If the people at the East could know that it is the HOME MISSIONARY CHURCH that suffers, surely their hearts would melt, surely they would help. Madam, will the ladies at the East, do you think, take these German-Russian daughters as servants?"

"What can they do?"

"Alas!" says he, despondently, "they know but one thing—they work in the field. They know not the work of the house. They could crush the nice dishes in their strong hands. But," again brightening, "if only the ladies of the East were patient with them, they might learn."

Here Mrs. Superintendent, with ready tact, drew from the perplexed pastor further particulars about these girls, and gave him permission to send a small party to her, and she would do her utmost to secure situations for them in the more prosperous towns of Dakota. The grateful man had no words in English to express his appreciation of her kindness, and resorted to the tongue of the Fatherland. Great was his pleasure when this gentle and gifted lady responded in the same. She comforted him as she has comforted and cheered many another disheartened missionary on her husband's wide field. Superintendent Wiard promised to send him such aid as he could secure from Eastern friends.

"Do your people pay anything for your support?" he was asked.

"My people have *nothing* now," said he; "and I depend wholly upon the small sum which the Society can give me. Only for the Society my people would have no shepherd."

"But how do you live?"

"I need very little. I am alone. When these hard times are over, if God be willing, a day will come when I shall not be alone."

THE dedication of the Mount Hope German Church, near Parkston, South Dakota, was a unique occasion. Superintendent Eversz was there and preached the sermon. It was practical, eloquent, and thoroughly appreciated by the people. The day was delightful. The neat little church has been painted inside and outside, even to the posts of the wire fence about it. The building was surrounded by teams, yet they could still be seen coming from all directions.

"WHAT is to be done with all these people?" was a frequent question. The little church was packed, even into the pulpit, so that the speakers had no elbow-room for gestures. When every inch of aisle-room was taken, wagons were drawn up outside the windows, and also packed to their utmost capacity with attentive listeners.

LOOK where you might, inside the house or out, a sea of eager, devout faces met your eyes. "How easy it is," said Superintendent Eversz, "to pray and sing and preach here! These faces, so spiritual, so uplifting, are an inspiration." In that congregation there was no sympathy with the sad refrain,

"In vain we tune our formal songs,

In vain we strive to rise;

Hosannas languish on our tongues,

And our devotion dies."

"MASTER, it is good to be here!" This was the text, and would there were space for the sermon! Not one word fell upon listless ears. Pastor Schnerle followed Mr. Eversz with earnest words of exhortation, and presented a financial statement. The little church building cost \$550 in money, only \$28 of which had been paid for the services of a carpenter. All the labor, with this exception, had been done by these German farmers, who had gladly taken time from their own work to help build God's house.

"BUT we are not yet through the woods," said Superintendent Eversz. "One hundred dollars are yet to be collected. Will you give that—*now*?" There was no further appeal then, no urging, no contribution box presented, not even slips of paper; but collectors stood at the door, and as the people passed out they placed small sums in their hands to the amount of twenty-seven dollars.

DURING the afternoon session the money matter was again brought forward. "I know," said Superintendent Eversz, "how you have suffered from failure of crops: yet if each man here will give fifty cents or one dollar, we shall not need to ask for outside aid." Seventy-five dollars came in at once, and the house of worship was dedicated free of debt. The sea of eager faces shone with joy. While passing out, again and again we heard the exclamation, "*This has been a blessed day!*"

A HYMN OF THE HOMELAND.

• Cast thy burden on the Lord,
 Lean thou only on His Word;
 Ever shall He be thy stay,
 Though the heavens shall melt away.

TRANSLATED BY CARRIE G. HUBBARD, CHICAGO.

THE distance between Europe and America has not always been as short as it is now. In the days before steamships plowed the waters of the Atlantic, a journey from Germany over the sea was a great undertaking, and but few people cared to make the perilous trip to reach a country of which they knew so little.

Once, two peasants from the Rhine, who had become tired of their native country, left home and started for the new world of whose fabulous riches they had heard wonderful stories. For many weeks they were on the ocean where no green forests are ever seen, and no fields of waving grain; where in the morning the crowing of the cock is never heard, nor at noon the shepherd's horn; neither does one have firm ground beneath his feet as behind the plow, but the ship rocks and reels, and one feels sick in heart and body. And so it goes every day; above, nothing but the boundless heaven, and beneath, the wide, wide waters. Even the sun has no dry resting place, but goes to bed in the sea, and rises again out of the sea.

To be sure, at first the wonders of the ocean pleased our two country people not a little; for all that is new has a special charm for the human heart. But as the same sights came up every day, and the end as far off as ever, they grew disheartened. And often they sat together on deck and gazed sorrowfully into the sea, or far away toward the East from whence they had come.

Sitting thus on deck one Sunday morning one of them said: "At home in our village it is now also Sunday; the bells are ringing, and everybody is going to church. Our pastor wears his surplice, and the schoolmaster sits at the organ. I should not have believed that one could miss the Sabbath so much."

Then they both were silent and thought of their home; and there arose before them the village with the blue mountains far away, and the green fields and forests, and here and there they seem to hear the church-bells ringing, and over the meadows and through the groves the church people wend their way and then all is still, and only the shepherd and the flocks and birds are there, and over all the sun shines peacefully.

One after another these thoughts passed through their minds, while

beneath them the waves roared and dashed against the ship's side. And as they remembered these things, their hearts ached with homesick longings, and they were moved to tears. Presently one of them arose, went to his chest, took out his Bible and hymn-book, and returned to his comrade. He read the Epistle and Gospel for that Sunday, after which the other prayed and repeated the Creed. Then opening their hymn-book they began to sing with clear, strong voices, "Cast thy burden on the Lord." But there were other emigrants from Germany on board the ship, who, when they heard the old German church-hymn, joined our two peasants, and standing with uncovered heads, sang with them:

"Cast thy burden on the Lord,
Lean thou only on His Word;
Ever shall He be thy stay,
Though the heavens shall melt away."

From out their swelling hearts the hymn arose clear and strong, resounding far over the sea; and the thundering of the billows mingled and blended with their song like the accompaniment of a mighty organ. And the Spirit of God was upon the waters.

The two peasants, and all who were with them there sang the sorrow and oppression out of their souls, and were happy as if they were at home in the dear Fatherland.

Therefore remember:—In your wanderings, take with you your faith, and your Bible; for when one goes out into the world without these, he may wander to the ends of the earth—and never find a home.

Our Young People.

A LETTER FROM SUPERINTENDENT EVERSZ.

My Dear Young Friends:

THIS month we study the Germans in our homeland. Let us take a look at them first in the Fatherland. See their great, clean cities! How compactly they are built! What a network of railways covers the country, and how often our train stops! Why, it seems as if there were a village or city every few miles.

Then see how the sides of the hills and valleys are laid out in tiny fields and farms, which with their variously colored vegetation make the landscape look like a boundless plaid carpet garden, with here and there a round vine-clad hill, crowned with an old castle for a vase of house plants. Orchards and fruits of all kinds abound. Public libraries, parks, museums, zoological gardens, art galleries and resorts are found in nearly every city, and on special days in the week the less wealthy can enjoy

them free of charge. The people seem so happy and to enjoy themselves so much, you almost wonder why they leave their beautiful Germany.

Ah, those clean, well-kept fields and valleys were once the battle-grounds of the ages. Here Cæsar found the most passionate love of liberty and stubborn resistance to his conquests. In the Teutoburger Forest the Romans found their Waterloo. But alas, the very love of freedom prevented these German tribes from combining to defeat their enemies. They were overcome one by one, and often fought against each other. What a lesson to us! Let us remember, "United we stand, Divided we fall."

What are those men? They are recruits on their way to join the army. See their barracks and drill grounds. Here is a group learning to scale walls and leap over ditches. Those are learning to march with the least fatigue. These are taking "turning lessons." Those out yonder are learning to handle their new muskets. All able-bodied young men must enter the army for one or more years. There are barracks in nearly every city, and we feel almost as if in a military camp.

Of course it costs very much to sustain so many men. That makes the taxes high and a burdened people. It is hard for poor young men to rise, and many of them long for America and an equal chance in life.

Ministers are examined and appointed by the State. The children must go to them to learn religion very much as they go to school and learn to read. A few years ago if a child died without being baptized it could only be buried in the "potter's field."

Germans love their Fatherland, and are proud that they have had compulsory education for over fifty years. Their schools and universities are renowned the world over, while their scholars are second to none in what they have done to throw light on the Bible and its teachings. They revere Luther and his Bible, which did for the Germans and their language what King James's Bible did for the English. But much as they love and honor these, they love freedom and an equal chance in life more, especially when a right to manage their own religious affairs is included therein.

How long is it since they began to come to America? Many Germans settled in New York soon after the Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock. Large sections of Pennsylvania were settled by them over a century ago. But from 1849 on, immigration increased and reached its climax in 1882. It is estimated that 6,500,000 Germans are in our country. They are found in every State and Territory, but are most numerous by far in the Mississippi Valley.

Believing that the Bible forbade war, and compelled to join the army if they remained in Germany, very many converted Germans migrated to Russia about a century and a half ago. Now that Russia is requiring

military service and trying to Russianize them, they are coming in great numbers and settling in the Dakotas and Nebraska.

In the war of the Revolution many German names appear on the roll of the Federal army. How they fought for the Union twenty-seven years ago your fathers can tell you—of whom many joined their German fellow-soldiers in singing, “I fights mit Sigel.” Most of them came over empty-handed, but by hard work and self-denial they have in many cases become the owners of the farms on which they began to work by the month.

Why should we preach the gospel to the Germans in their own language?

1. For the same reasons that we preach to any people. Many of them will be lost unless we reach them. The arbitrariness and formality of the state church have driven many of them into skepticism. We must give them a warm-hearted, living gospel, and a church in which all are brethren and only Christ is master.

2. If we help them to a living Christianity they will soon help us to carry on missions and to maintain our free institutions. The churches already formed do their full share in these directions now. We must be *one* people if our country and institutions shall be safe. But nothing so unifies and binds hearts together as unforced union in religion.

3. Our government and free institutions have grown out of the free churches of the Pilgrim Fathers. The people, foreign-born or American, must be leavened by the same free Christian spirit to become the best citizens. Upon our Congregational churches, the descendants of the Pilgrims, more than upon any others, rests the duty of carrying on this process.

4. They are worthy of our best efforts. Honest and frugal, simple and faithful, our business men give them excellent reputations for paying their honest debts. If they do not adopt American customs as quickly as some, they are more steadfast when converted. Mormon missionaries have little success among Germans.

What can boys and girls do to help on this good work?

1. They can raise money and send it to the American Home Missionary Society for *Work among Germans*. Such work is greatly needed. In many rural districts Germans are replacing American farmers. Often it is long before they start their own church, and so many lose all taste for church-going and are lost to Christianity. Repelled by church machinery and seeing no change in such Christians, they fall an easy prey to rationalism and socialism. In such cases the simplicity and reasonableness of our Congregational system is best suited to break down their prejudices. We need more money to help in such fields.

2. Our German Academy at Crete, Neb., of which you will find a picture in this magazine, and the German Department of Chicago Seminary,

greatly need help. Only think, we have but *one single* school in all this great country in which to start young men in preparing for Chicago Seminary and for the ministry. Surely we ought to make that a first-class institution. To do that we must have money for a library, cabinets, apparatus, and buildings, indeed for everything. The young men there are hard students. In vacation they work, teach, or preach,—anything to help themselves. Our German instructor in Chicago Seminary has almost ruined his health by overwork, because we could not relieve him of other duties.

3. You can send money to our paper, “Der Kirchenbote,” so that we can furnish it more cheaply to the people. It is now the most expensive one of its kind.

Get acquainted with German boys and girls. Try to see their good qualities. Be kind to them. Love them. Remember that many of them have not had as good a chance as you have. Invite them to your Sunday-school and church. You will find much in them to admire, if you try to do them good.

QUESTIONS ON THE WORK.

1. What topic is before us this month? Work among Germans in our country.

2. Where are the people located? In every State and Territory of the Union. About two thirds of them are in the Mississippi Valley; Chicago alone has about 250,000.

3. Who is Home Missionary Superintendent of the German work? Rev. Moritz E. Eversz, of Chicago, Illinois, is General Superintendent, and Rev. Carl Hess, of Garner, Iowa, is General Missionary for Iowa.

4. How do we help these people, of whom so many are Protestants? As we do other home missionary work, by aiding in building churches and helping to support ministers where they cannot do it alone. We give them the Gospel in a language they can understand.

5. How many German Congregational churches have we? We have 76 churches, 44 in Nebraska and the Dakotas, most of them among German-Russians, who hold strongly to the prayer-meeting and conversion, and object to many amusements tolerated in our churches. The other 32 are widely scattered. Iowa has 11, Illinois 5, Missouri, Wisconsin and other States two or three each.

6. What society supports this German work? The American Home Missionary Society and its Auxiliaries.

For leaflets containing this lesson, address Room 24, 151 Washington St., Chicago, Ill.

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

According to promise we continue our monthly tabular report :

CONTRIBUTIONS.			LEGACIES.		
	1889-90.	1890-91.		1889-90.	1890-91.
April....	\$16,419 40	\$20,306 48	April....	\$3,572 49	\$3,723 85
May....	12,441 67	14,969 79	May....	9,408 33	2,066 64
June....	28,428 84	11,845 88	June....	5,845 76	2,163 11
July....	22,565 11	25,145 31	July....	32,201 98	17,236 06
August..	13,770 37	14,235 36	August..	48,459 77	5,642 46
Sept....	14,375 49	16,241 59	Sept....	9,126 98	1,664 53
Oct.....	17,352 26	13,877 18	Oct.....	6,287 50	24,891 58
Nov....	20,454 44	10,685 13	Nov....	12,882 01	2,084 57
Dec....	28,701 94	36,779 25	Dec....	15,440 00	26,540 00
Jan.	30,903 66	42,042 81	Jan....	34,073 50	17,868 02
Feb....	20,447 79	36,659 58	Feb....	21,610 61	14,150 38
March..	53,018 52	59,471 71	March..	27,993 00	40,728 28
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	<i>Gain in Contributions.</i> \$23,360 58			<i>Loss in Legacies....</i> \$68,142 45	

Thanks to the many friends who so cheerfully responded to the appeals in *The Home Missionary* for March and April, carrying the receipts in the closing month of the sixty-fifth year up to the generous sum of \$100,199.99, an amount equaled but once in the Society's history. Of this \$59,471.71 came from living givers, and \$40,723.28 in payment of bequests of friends now deceased. The receipts of the fiscal year are \$460,999.55, of which \$302,249.07 are the offerings of churches and individuals, and \$158,759.48 are from legacies. One of the cheering facts in this statement is the marked gain of \$23,360.58 in contributions. But for the year's loss in legacies we should not have to report unpaid notes at the bank amounting to \$50,000, falling due before many weeks. Our friends will remember that besides these obligations on last year's account, claims for the new year's service are and will be maturing daily: *for the work must go on*, unless the churches are willing to bear the charge of unfaithfulness to the Lord who bought them with his own precious blood, and calls upon them, as their best and only possible return, to make known

his Gospel to their fellow-men, "beginning at Jerusalem." Shall not the coming summer months be made memorable by an outpouring of offerings commensurate with the ever-growing need?

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

THE SIXTY-FIFTH Anniversary of the American Home Missionary Society will be held this year, as for eight previous years, in the Methodist Church, Washington Street, Saratoga Springs, N. Y. Hon. NELSON DINGLEY, of Maine, will preside. On the evening of Monday, June 1, and the forenoon of Tuesday, June 2, the officers and superintendents of the Society will be in private session, in the Congregational Church, for the discussion of practical questions connected with their work. For the present year this meeting will be for the officers and superintendents only. The public sessions will open on Tuesday evening, June 2, and close on Thursday evening, June 4.

The annual sermon will be preached on Tuesday evening, by Rev. Wolcott Calkins, D.D., of Newton, Mass. There will be morning prayer-meetings before the regular sessions of Wednesday and Thursday, and three public meetings—forenoon, afternoon, and evening—will be held on each of those days.

On Wednesday forenoon, papers on the work of the sixty-fifth year, and on the prospective work of coming years, will be read by the Secretaries. On Wednesday afternoon will be held the annual business meeting, at which the Report for the sixty-fifth year will be presented.

On Wednesday afternoon, also, the annual meeting of the Woman's Department will be held as usual. The entire session will be given to personal experiences from missionary workers.

On Thursday, the Annual Report and the Secretaries' papers will be reported upon by committees appointed for the purpose, and addresses will be made upon the matters therein presented. Anniversary addresses from representatives of the American Congregational Union and of the Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society will be heard on Thursday.

Addresses from the American Home Missionary Society's superintendents and missionaries, representing many of its distant fields, may be expected during most of the day and evening sessions of Wednesday and Thursday.

As heretofore, generous concessions from their usual terms for entertainment have been made by the proprietors of many Saratoga hotels and boarding-houses, a list of which we give below, asking candid attention to the suggestions of the local Committee of Arrangements, of which Rev. CLARENCE F. SWIFT, pastor of the Congregational Church, is chairman.

He will cheerfully aid those proposing to attend the meeting in any way in his power.

Announcements as to expected reduction of fares by railways and steamboats will be made in the religious papers as soon as negotiations are completed. The terms will not differ materially from those of previous years. On most roads those certified as paying full rates to Saratoga will be returned for one-third fare.

SUGGESTIONS.

1. While the prices given below are as nearly exact as possible, some variation in particular cases will be expected; *e. g.*, higher prices for specially desirable rooms; lower prices for parties, etc.

2. Where only one price is indicated, it is supposed that persons desiring to room alone will be given smaller rooms. One person occupying a double room will generally be charged more.

3. In order to avoid any misunderstanding, definite arrangements, whenever possible, should be made before reaching Saratoga. Changes in boarding places should be made only for very good reasons, and when any change is necessary the host should be informed at once.

4. There is no legal limit to the hack-fare for passengers; but the customary charge is 50 cents for single fares, and 25 cents each for a party of two or more.

5. The Local Committee, wearing white A. H. M. S. badges, will be at all trains to give any desired information.

HOUSES AT \$1 PER DAY.

Franklin House, Church St.; Regent St. House, 209 Regent St.; Mrs. Thompson, 34 Woodlawn Ave.; Mrs. Bright, 45 Henry St.; Mrs. Fitzgerald, 135 Circular St.; R. Snow, 66 White St.; Miss Pierce, 55 Phila St.; Mrs. Carpenter, 186 Regent St.; H. Del Corral, 125 Phila St.; Mrs. Thorne, 87 Circular St.; Mrs. Wilcox, 160 Circular St.; Mrs. Humeston, 41 Church St.; Dr. Hamilton's, 44 Franklin St.; Mrs. West, 48 Franklin St.; Mrs. Waring, 25 Franklin St.; Mrs. Hayden, 101 Grand Ave.; Mrs. White, 20 E. Van Dam St.; Albion House, 72 Front St.; Van Veghten House, 64 Front St.; Elmwood Hall, 48 Front St.; Mrs. Settle, 184 Regent St.; Woodlawn Cottage, 94 Woodlawn Ave.; Mrs. Sherman, 147 Woodlawn Ave.; O. F. Lockwood, 81 State St.; Marston Cottage, 29 Woodlawn Ave.; Swan Cottage, 24 Woodlawn Ave.; Spencer House, 2 Woodlawn Ave.; The Cranmer, 17 Woodlawn Ave.; Mrs. Walker, 53 Spring St.

\$1 PER DAY, TWO IN A ROOM: \$1.25. ONE IN A ROOM.

The Walworth, 525 Broadway; The Kenmore, 556 Broadway; Garden View, 534 Broadway; Howland House, 573 Broadway; Healey Cottage, 20 Woodlawn Ave.; Broadway House, 522 Broadway; Mrs. Burnett, 136 Spring St.; Mrs. Walters, 152 Spring St.; Linwood, 239 So. Broadway;

Mrs. Cogswell, 344 Broadway; Vanderburgh Cottage, 131 Phila St.; Dr. Travers, 103 Circular St. (two in a room); Mrs. Record, 74 Caroline St.; Mrs. Schmidt, 66 Caroline St.; Circular St. House, 93 Circular St.

\$1 AND \$1.50 PER DAY.

Albemarle, 235 So. Broadway; Waverly, No. Broadway; Balch House, 526 Broadway.

\$1.25 PER DAY.

Mrs. L. L. Brintnall, 55 Henry St.; Vermont House, Grove St.; Miss March, 1 Batcheller Row, Regent St.; Mrs. Liker, 51-53 Henry St.; Mrs. Deuel, 109 Phila St.; the Misses Bogert, 598 Broadway.

\$1.25 AND \$1.50 PER DAY.

Congress Park House, So. Broadway; The Lafayette, 109 Circular St.; Washburne Hotel, Washington St.; Tefft House, 33 Franklin St.; Mrs. Putnam, 497 Broadway; Holden House, 423 Broadway.

\$1.50 PER DAY.

Trim Cottage, 61 Phila St.; Mrs. Scoville, 57 Phila St.; Mrs. MacComber, 69-71 Caroline St.; Summer Rest, 75 Spring St.

\$1.50 AND \$2 PER DAY.

Heustis House, 230 So. Broadway; Columbian, So. Broadway.

\$2 PER DAY.

Dr. Strong's, 90 Circular St.; Worden Hotel, Broadway; The American.

\$2.50 PER DAY.

Adelphi, Broadway.

A VANISHING LIST.—The lists of "States Without a Woman's Homeland Organization" is rapidly diminishing. On Friday, March 20, 1891, the "WOMAN'S H. M. UNION OF THE NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION" came into being, bringing into the line of woman's organized work a company of wise and efficient workers from New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, and District of Columbia. Now that New Jersey has joined the ranks, the line of Unions from the Atlantic to the Pacific is unbroken. The New Jersey Association cordially extends the right hand of fellowship to the new Union, and gives its officers a place on its program of April 22.

We learn that Idaho, which has been welcomed into the Washington Association, has also been received into the Washington Union.

Now—if the W. H. M. U. of OHIO will extend the same invitation to West Virginia; and GEORGIA to South Carolina; and CALIFORNIA to Ne-

vada, these States that are bound together by the Association of churches may also be joined through the Woman's Unions.

WE suggest to the Superintendents and Pastors of the Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico Associations that, with a view to their greater prosperity, they urge the women of these churches to fall into line with the women of the forty-one States now organized.

WE believe the time will come when Delaware and Kentucky shall welcome the Congregational polity, and their women join the ranks of the Unions.

OFFICERS of the W. H. M. U. of the New Jersey Association: President, Mrs. J. R. Noyes, Montclair, N. J.; Vice-President, Mrs. S. M. Newman, Washington, D. C.; Secretary, Mrs. C. L. Merriam, Paterson, N. J.; Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Denison, Newark, N. J.

THE following statistics concerning our German Department have been furnished by Superintendent Eversz, in answer to questions:

1. We have forty-seven German ministers, of whom three are not preaching—two on account of age, and one is teaching.

2. They are at work in fifteen States. In several States we have but one lonely minister.

3. We have seventy-nine churches and twelve preaching stations.

4. There are probably not less than six and a half millions of Germans and their immediate descendants in the country. This is a *low* estimate.

5. Of these probably a million and a quarter are reached, counting those who go to church from one to three times a year.

6. I could employ practically an unlimited number of missionaries. If I had the money and the men, I know where I would place ten within a month.

7. Yes; all our students at Crete Seminary are Germans.

8. It takes about \$125 per annum to carry a student through comfortably.

9. I know of three additional men who would go if "the money were at hand."

10. Five students are in need of help, and fifty dollars each would be sufficient to enable them to do well.

PASTOR J. J. SCHMALLE, of Scotland, South Dakota, began preaching on invitation at Tyndale last fall. A church was organized there with twenty-eight members on March 1. It is moving forward with great energy to build a house of worship. The pastor writes: "Seven or eight hundred dollars will be subscribed by the people. Day laborers are subscribing \$25 each. Such a brave and noble band is worthy of a church."

The Woman's State Home Missionary Organizations will hold an all-day meeting in the Congregational Church at Saratoga, Tuesday, June 2.

The morning session will open at 9.45. This session will be for State Officers only, and will be devoted to the transaction of business and discussion of methods of work. The question of a National Advisory Committee will be presented and considered.

The afternoon session will open at 2 o'clock. A hearty invitation is extended to all women interested in Homeland work to attend this session. Papers discussing topics of vital importance to the work will be presented by women from different and widely separated States. This meeting in former years has proved very helpful and inspiring. It is hoped this one will even make an advance in this respect. The session will close with a consecration service.

Appointments in March, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Andrew, R. E., Kensington, N. Y.
Barnett, J. H., Nanticoke, Pa.
Bonsey, S. D., Mound City, So. Dak.
Bothwell, Geo. W., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Dahl, G. A., Jersey City, N. J.
Drew, F. L., Pitcher, N. Y.
Griffith, R. V., Ipswich, So. Dak.
Holman, D. A., Whiting, Ind.
Hughes, E. R., Bangor, Pa.
Patch, I. P., Oswego Falls, N. Y.
Rose, S., Boise City, Idaho.
Williams, J. B., Downs, Ind. Ter.

Re-commissioned.

Aunks, F. M., Hood River, Or.
Batley, G. J., Cortland and Pickrell, Neb.
Beran, J., Cleveland, O.
Bourne, S., Bedford Park, N. Y.
Chase, C. E., Port Angeles, Wash.
Crowell, P. R., Cheyenne, Wyo.
Dixon, J. A. T., Atwood, Kan.
Drake, Mrs. M. E., Iroquois, Osceola, and Logan Center, So. Dak.
Eldredge, J. W., Beaverton and Finney, Or.
Evans, C. P., Albany, N. Y.
Fisk, P. B., Cresbard, Liberty, and Myron, So. Dak.
Gleason, C. A., Angola and Fremont, Ind.

Hull, J. H., Cleveland, O.
Johnson, F. W., Norfolk, N. Y.
Manchester, H. A., Syracuse, N. Y.
Marble, W. H., Wallace, Kan.
Marlow, R. T., Iberia and Unity, Mo.
Marsh, T., Green Ridge, Mo.
Metcalf, A., Gettysburg and Appomattox, So. Dak.
Milligan, J. A., Omaha, Neb.
Nichols, D. B., La Grange, So. Dak.
Parker, J. H., Oklahoma.
Platt, H. D., Cowles, Neb.
Resner, A. K., Davenport, Ia.
Rose, G. W., Idaho and West Wyo.
Shaw, G. W., Howard, Winfred, and Freedom, So. Dak.
Sherrill, A. F., Atlanta, Ga.
Silkworth, Samuel W., Canarsie, N. Y.
Skinner, E., Osborne, Kan.
Smith, H. N., Omaha, Neb.
Soper, G. E., Rochester, N. Y.
Stokes, W. T., New York, Brooklyn, and vicinity.
Suess, W., Herndon and Ludell, Kan.
Travis, D. Q., Orland and Lake Gage, Ind.
Walton, R. C., Highmore, So. Dak.
Way, W. H., Rutland, N. Y.
Wikoff, H. H., San Francisco, Cal.
Williams, W. T., Dustin, Belknap, and Richmond, Neb.
Wright, J. C., Fairhaven, Wash.
Wright, R. B., Denver, Col.

Receipts in March, 1891.

The following statement includes the amounts paid directly into the Treasury, together with those reported by Auxiliaries, as expended in their fields during the last Missionary year.

The sums expended by Auxiliaries within their bounds are marked (*).

MAINE—\$6,173.47; of which Legacy,
\$6,000.00.

Maine Missionary Society.....*\$17,568 55

Received by J. L. Crosby, Treas.

M. M. Soc.:

Deer Isle, First.....\$4 10

Island Falls.....5 00

Patten.....10 00

Alfred, by J. M. Akers.....\$14 60

Augusta, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. W. Milli-

ken.....6 00

Bangor, First, by W. P. Hubbard.....54 77

Bath, Legacy of Mrs. Nancy E. Clapp,

by W. D. Hill, Ex.....6,000 00

Castine, Rainbow Band, by Mrs. C. M.

Cushman.....5 00

Machias, Center St. Ch., by Mrs. M. W.

Stone.....

Maine, A Friend.....	\$12 00	For the Washington Band:	
New Gloucester, by H. G. Mank.....	44 00	Brattleboro, Ladies' Assoc.....	\$46 32
Norridgewock, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. Lowe.....	13 00	Burlington, First.....	5 00
NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$3,494.01; of which		Greensboro, Mrs. N. Kenilton.....	5 00
Legacies, \$3,015.30.		Jeffersonville, Ladies' Assoc.....	5 00
New Hampshire Home Miss'y Society.*	11,220 79	Newport, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
F. C. I. and H. M. U., Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.:		Springfield.....	5 00
Bristol, Ladies' Miss. Circle....	\$11 50		\$71 82 \$123 48
Northwood, Aux.....	8 00	Barnet, by A. S. Laughlin.....	47 15
Rindge, Ladies' Sew. Circle....	4 30	Brattleboro, Mrs. C. L. Howe.....	5 00
	23 80	East Hardwick, Martha S. Stone.....	10 00
Antrim, Mrs. M. W. Holman.....	10 00	Manchester, A Friend.....	5 00
Claremont, Mrs. B. Emerson.....	2 00	Milton, A Friend.....	2 12
Concord, Light Bearer, by Mrs. C. P. Bancroft.....	6 58	No. Pomfret, by S. H. Warren.....	5 27
Mrs. M. F. Smith.....	5 00	Randolph, Mrs. E. M. Hayden.....	1 40
Derry, First Cong. Ch. and Soc., by G. W. Barker, to const. Miss Mary Farwell Pinkerton a L. M.....	79 13	St. Johnsbury, North Cong. Ch., of which from "March 11th," \$200, by W. C. Tyler.....	230 00
East Derry, James C. Taylor, for the Debt.....	50 00	South Royalton, Mrs. S. H. Jones, by E. Foster.....	100 00
Enfield, On account of Legacy of J. K. Kendall, by L. D. Dunbar.....	15 30	Thetford, First, by H. S. Cummings..	15 00
Francestown, Ch. and S. S., by A. Downes.....	42 00	Vermont, In memoriam, to const. George T. Pettengill a L. M.....	50 00
Groton, Parker Blood.....	10 00	Vermont.....	5 00
Hampt n, by J. Perkins.....	11 00	Weston, Mrs. C. W. Sprague.....	2 00
A Friend of Missions.....	1 00	White River Junction, Mrs. L. E. Allen	15 00
Josiah P. Wason.....	1 00	Windsor, by H. B. Thompson.....	27 50
Haverhill, Mrs. E. W. Stoddard.....	1 00	MASSACHUSETTS—\$31,404.90; of which	
Manchester, C. B. Southworth, to const. Mrs. Mattie T. Hilton a L. M.....	50 00	Legacies, \$15,354.77.	
Mt. Vernon, J. A. Starrett.....	40	Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.....	\$63,512 98
New Ipswich, by J. E. F. Marsh.....	1 60	Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	8,035 00
Newport, Cong. Ch., by a Lady.....	20 00	By request of donors, of which \$120 for work among Foreigners.....	\$1,625 00
North Hampton, J. L. Philbrook, toward a L. M.....	10 00	For work among Foreigners in the West.....	4,500 00
Northampton, by E. M. Smith.....	43 25		6,175
Northwood, Cong. Ch., Mrs. E. E. Wiggin.....	3 00	Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.:	
Northwood Center, "Three Mites," by Mrs. J. M. Cate.....	3 00	For Salary Fund.....	\$338 00
Orford, Mrs. S. S. Conant, by H. H. Conant.....	1 50	For Debt, and to const. Mrs. Elizabeth Richmond a L. M.....	50 00
Orfordville, Miss E. Eastman.....	40		438 00
Pembroke, First, by W. H. Thompson.....	40 50	Received by Rev. M. W. Montgomery:	
Peterboro, "Mayflowers," special, for Rev. M. L. Stimson's Miss'y Horse, by Mary E. Knight.....	20 00	Beverly, H. O. Woodbury, special.....	\$5 00
Piermont, Cong. S. S., by J. D. Martin.....	18 00	Palmer, George A. Rice, special.....	25
Plymouth, On account of Legacy of James McQuesten, by C. A. Dole and L. D. Stevens, Exs.....	3,000 60	Springfield, H. Cowl, special.....	3 00
Tamworth, by J. J. Chesley.....	11 25	Stockbridge, D. N. Williams, special.....	5 00
West Hampstead, Nelson Ordway, for the debt.....	10 00	West Springfield, Lucy M. Bagge, special.....	50 00
VERMONT—\$1,722.41.		Worcester, A Friend, special.....	10 00
Vermont Domestic Missionary Society*.....	\$9,333 98	Meredith Village, N. H., Mrs. G. W. Lang, special.....	20 00
Vermont Dom. Miss. Soc., by T. M. Howard, Treas.....	1,000 00		93 25
Received by T. M. Howard, Treas.		Alford, Y. P. S. C. E., by G. W. Oles, Jr..	10 00
Vt. Dom. Miss. Soc.:		Amherst, First, by W. Hamlin.....	100 00
Waitsfield.....	\$12 70	Z. K.....	20 00
Woodstock.....	60 79	M. E. S., \$5; M. T. K., \$5.....	10 00
	73 49	Attleboro, Cong. S. S., by F. W. Carpenter.....	12 09
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:		Auburndale, Mary J. Capron.....	50
For Miss Reitinger:		Bedford, A Friend, special.....	1 00
Barton, Young People.....	\$6 64	Boxford, "P.".....	7 00
Burlington, First.....	15 00	Boston, E. Torrey, special.....	100 00
Chelsea, Ladies' Benev. Soc.....	10 00	Bridgewater, "Birthday Box," Central Square S. S., by W. D. Jackson.....	5 00
Newport, Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 00	Brookfield, R. B. Montague, special.....	5 00
Springfield.....	5 00	Sally C. Tufts.....	5 00
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 00	Cambridge, G. S. Saunders, for L. Mp. of "California Boy".....	1 00
Stowe, Infant-class of S. S.....	4 02	Cambridgeport, Mrs. C. L. Cristy, "For the Lord's Treasury," \$2.50; contents of Mite-box, \$2, special.....	4 50
Waterbury, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00	Chelsea, Mrs. S. W. Langworthy.....	10 00
	\$56 66		

Dalton, add'l, by H. A. Barton, Jr.	\$2 10	Mrs. G. L. Clafin, special, by A. W. Clafin.	\$30 00
Danvers, Maple St. Ch., for the Debt, by Dea. Eben Peabody.	15 80	Tiverton, Four Corners, by Rev. D. Browne.	12 65
Webster F. Putnam.	73 23	Westerly, by J. E. Cook.	13 00
Dedham, "B."	10 00	Woonsocket, A Friend in Globe Ch.	1 00
Dorchester, Second, by E. Tolman.	208 50		
Enfield, From the Estate of I. B. Woods, by Rev. R. M. Woods, Trustee.	100 00	CONNECTICUT—\$5,493.32; of which Legacies, \$2,876.00.	
Fitchburg, Residue of Legacy of Edwin Upton, by Daniel Messenger, Ex.	2,004 52	Missionary Society of Connecticut.	*\$12,399 36
Framingham, A. March, an Easter offering.	2 00	Miss. Soc. Conn. W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.	259 48
Greenfield, On account of Legacy of William B. Washburn, by W. N. Washburn and F. G. Fessenden, Exs.	10,000 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.: Bridgeport, A Friend, by Mrs. E. Sterling, special.	\$5 00
Greenwich Village, Miss M. A. Cutler.	2 00	Bristol, Aux. Birthday-offering, by Mrs. A. E. North, for Salary Fund.	12 00
Groton, by G. W. Shattuck.	33 23	Hartford, First, L. H. M. S., by Mrs. S. M. Hotchkiss, special.	10 00
Hadley, First, by B. C. Bardwell.	36 28	First Ch., Mrs. F. B. Cooley, for Salary Fund.	20 00
Haverhill, S. N. Kittredge.	15 00	Higganum, Aux., by Mrs. J. G. Hubbard, for Salary Fund.	50 00
Hinsdale, Cong. S. S., by E. H. Clark.	34 03	Kensington, Mrs. A. A. Hart, for Bonemian Work.	5 00
Housatonic, by H. H. E. Turner.	120 18	Newington, Ladies' Eunoan Soc., by Mrs. C. S. Barrows.	50 00
Rev. W. Giddings, special.	5 00	South Norwalk, Aux., by Miss G. H. Benedict, in full, to const. Miss Eliza G. Platt a L. M.	6 00
Hyde Park, Y. P. S. C. E. of the First, by B. H. Lane.	4 00		\$158 00
Jamaica Plain, A Friend, special.	5 00	For the Washington Band: Kent, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. R. Eaton, to const. Mrs. Ruth B. Eaton a L. M.	\$50 00
Lee, On account of Legacy of Elizur Smith, by Hon. W. J. Bartlett, for Exs.	1,496 25	Norwalk, First Ch., Ladies' Assoc., by Mrs. S. B. S. Bissell.	50 00
W. J. Bartlett, special.	10 06	First Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by W. Marvin.	5 00
Lunenburg, First Evan. Ch., by E. S. Francis.	17 50	"King's Sons," by F. Randall.	30 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by E. S. Francis.	2 00		\$135 00
Marion, S. D. Hadley.	10 00	Birmingham, Mrs. C. T. Beardsley.	5 00
Massachusetts.	5 00	Black Rock, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. A. Gould.	5 00
Millbury, C. E. Hunt.	40 00	Bridgeport, Olivet Ch., by Mrs. E. K. Holden, in full, to const. Rev. Edwin Knight a L. M.	37 25
Natick, A Friend.	3 00	Bristol, L. G. Merick.	120 00
Newton, A Friend.	20 00	H. A. Carrington, M.D.	1 00
Newton Center, L. S. Ward, special.	10 00	Centerbrook, Middlesex Conference, by Rev. W. H. Knouse.	33 50
North Amherst, Mission Band, for Bonemian work, by Miss M. E. Harrington.	1 25	Cheshire, S. Hitchcock, to const. Mrs. Lucy S. Hitchcock a L. M., by Rev. J. P. Hoyt.	50 00
Northampton, Dorcas Soc. of the First, by Mrs. J. H. Searle, for Salary Fund.	75 00	Chester, by Rev. A. Hall.	11 00
North Chelmsford, Ch., \$50.58; Y. P. S. C. E., \$6.32; Ladies' Sew. Circle, \$7.20, by Arthur H. Sheldon.	64 10	Colchester, Thank-offering.	25 00
Pittsfield, Mrs. Mary Clackman, by Rev. W. G. Paddefoot.	5 00	Columbia, Cong. S. S., by W. F. Johnson.	24 00
Caroline H. Adam, by Rev. M. W. Montgomery, special.	1 00	Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss A. J. Fuller.	8 00
Quincy, A Friend of Missions.	2 00	Coventry, Andrew Kingsbury, special.	10 00
Reading, Mrs. J. Spokfield, by S. G. B. Pearson.	10 00	East Woodstock, An Easter-offering.	5 00
Rehoboth, Ch., \$11.50; N. Rehoboth Young People's Miss. Soc., 50c., by F. A. Bliss.	12 00	Ellington, Rev. W. T. Hutchins, Sweet Pea Fund.	5 00
Shelfield, by A. T. Wakefield.	11 23	Mrs. C. Bradley.	1 00
Shrewsbury, Legacy of Mrs. Adaline K. Nelson, by Samuel Wood, Adm.	1,000 00	Enfield, The "Gleaners' Mission Circle," by J. S. Henry, in full, to const. Mrs. Gilbert Birdsey a L. M.	20 00
South Boston, Phillips Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by W. Shaw.	5 00	Fairfield, special coll., Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. F. S. Child.	5 00
South Deerfield, by C. A. Stowell.	53 00	Granby, South Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by C. P. Loomis.	7 63
South Hadley Falls, Friends.	10 00	Griswold, First, by Rev. E. G. Stone.	45 20
South Weymouth, On account of Legacy of Abigail S. Cobb, by A. E. Vining, Ex.	650 00	Hartford, Asylum Hill Ch., A Friend, \$4; Two Friends, \$17.16, by C. E. Thompson.	21 16
Townsend, From Estate of Caroline Wright, by S. S. Haynes.	100 00		
Turner's Falls, by D. M. Bowman.	20 00		
Wellesley, Miss S. R. Le Bosquet.	40		
Winchendon, A Friend.	1 00		
Worcester, Salem Street Ch., by E. Tucker, Jr.	61 85		
Miss A. S. Whitcomb.	5 00		
A Friend, special.	40 00		

RHODE ISLAND—\$302.46.

Rhode Island Home Miss. Soc.	*\$4,759 37
Kingston, Y. P. S. C. E., by B. E. Helme.	5 34
Pawtucket, Cong. Ch.	100 00
Providence, North Cong. Ch., by C. H. Eastwood.	130 47
Miss M. C. Hackett.	10 00

Harwinton, Remainder of Legacy of Mrs. Sarah B. Noyes, by Dr. Virgil Buell.....	\$100 00	Brooklyn, Ch. of the Pilgrims, by J. P. Dike, \$50; Rev. R. S. Storrs, D.D., \$50; F. Cobb, \$40.....	\$140
Higganum, Cong. S. S., by Mrs. D. Huntington.....	32 50	Tompkins Avenue Ch., of which \$374, special, by P. Palmer.....	1,474 00
Huntington, by E. S. Hawley.....	30 00	Nazarene Ch., by Rev. A. J. Henry.....	2 00
Lebanon, M. H. Dutton, by C. S. Warner.....	250 00	A Friend, \$1,000; Elsie E. McCartee, special, \$1.50; A Friend, \$3.....	1,003 50
Ledyard, by John Avery.....	12 16	Burrville, by E. W. Florence.....	7 69
Litchfield, First, by F. D. McNeill.....	14 00	Busti, by Rev. F. Edquist.....	3 00
Mansfield, Second, by B. F. Coons.....	23 71	Cambridge, by Rev. H. G. Blinn.....	11 00
Meriden, Center Ch., \$40; Julius W. Yale, \$10, by Miss M. A. Wood.....	50 00	Canandaigua, First, by C. T. Mitchell.....	29 01
Middletown, South Cong. Ch., S. S., for Salary Fund, by E. Payne.....	25 00	Candor, by Rev. J. Marsland.....	21 50
Millington, Ch., Rev. G. L. Edwards.....	2 00	E. A. Booth.....	100 00
Mystic, by Rev. A. H. Burr.....	37 58	Chenango Forks, Ch., \$19.01; S.S., \$1.20; by H. E. Fly.....	20 21
Naugatuck, by Ellen Spencer.....	160 00	Clayton, by T. Hall.....	8 00
New Haven, On account of residuary Legacy of Henry J. Prudden, by T. M. Prudden, Trustee.....	600 00	Cooperstown, Legacy of Polly Dean, by W. H. Bunn, for Exs.....	1,000 00
Davenport Ch., by Rev. I. C. Meserve.....	27 84	Corning, by Rev. N. E. Fuller.....	27 50
Dwight Place Ch., by F. C. Lum.....	242 75	Eldred and Barryville, by Rev. E. A. Smith.....	5 00
United Ch., Dr. E. H. Bishop, dec., by G. W. Curtis.....	100 00	Fairport, Ch., A Friend, by Mrs. M. Olney.....	50
Westville Ch., by Rev. J. S. Willard.....	22 17	Franklin, by G. Mann, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.....	63 75
J. M. B. Dwight.....	10 00	Gloversville, by A. Kennedy.....	6 00
Newtown, add'l, by M. S. Otis.....	15 00	Homer, by S. C. Webb.....	8 35
Norfolk, by J. N. Cowles.....	100 00	Honeoye, Cong. Pastor's family, toward the Debt, by Rev. S. M. Day.....	8 00
A Friend.....	5 00	Hopkinton, A Friend of Missions, to const. Mrs. I. R. Hopkins a L. M.....	50 00
Northfield, by H. C. Peck, in full, to const. Dea. Joseph H. Hopkins a L. M. John Catlin and wife, to const. James P. Catlin a L. M.....	50 00	Jamestown, Aux. of the Woman's H. M. Union, by Mrs. J. Sanders.....	22 00
North Stonington, M. W. Williams.....	3 00	Add'l Ch., \$13.50; S. S., \$17.68, by E. A. Burrows.....	31 18
Norwalk, Legacy of Samuel Richards, by Nathan Weed, Ex.....	1,576 00	Jordanville, Mrs. C. F. Waterbury, for Salary Fund.....	20 00
Plymouth, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. J. S. Zelle.....	5 00	Kiantone, by Rev. G. E. Henshaw.....	10 50
Roxbury, Legacy of Miss Ann M. Whittlesey, by B. S. Preston, Ex.....	500 00	Lockport, First, by E. Simmons.....	27 55
Salisbury, by Rev. J. C. Goddard, to const. Rev. Lyman Warner and Percy Warner L. Ms.....	129 29	Lysander, by W. C. Van Doren.....	13 00
Saybrook, Young People's Miss. Soc., by A. H. Acton.....	20 00	Madison, by Rev. B. D. Peck.....	11 66
Southbury, by S. Tuttle.....	15 25	Massena, Second Ch., \$3; Y. P. S. C. E., \$2.10, by M. J. Stearns, M.D.....	5 10
Stafford Springs, by F. H. Spelman.....	40 43	Middletown, First, by S. R. Corwin.....	90 60
Stamford, First, by E. B. Hoyt, to const. Ezra F. Conklin a L. M.....	88 22	Moriah, by Rev. J. J. Munro.....	9 85
Stonington, Thank-offering.....	70 00	Munnsville, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Rockwell, by H. Gaston.....	1 50
Terryville, A Friend.....	10 00	New Lebanon, by J. Kendall.....	24 50
Thompsonville, Mrs. Alice T. Allen, \$4.40; Catherine Kingsbury, \$5, by Catherine Kingsbury.....	9 40	New York City, Legacy of Mrs. Mary Rogers, by William Post, Ex.....	5,000 00
Waterbury, D. H. A.....	1 00	Central Ch., by J. Kyle.....	112 50
Windsor, Y. P. S. C. E., by A. C. Roberts.....	14 00	Trinity Ch., Tremont, by Treas. Turner.....	50 00
Woodstock, Legacy of Mrs. Mary E. Carroll, by A. A. Carroll, Ex.....	100 00	Broadway Tabernacle Ch., in part, by I. R. Fisher, of which \$50 from William Ives Washburn, to const. Mrs. Carrie W. F. Washburn a L. M., and \$200 from A. H. C. and E. P. C., to const. William Ives Washburn, Mrs. Jane Ives Washburn, Miss Grace Ives Washburn, and Master William Ives Washburn, Jr., L. Ms., Harriet N. Marshall, \$10.....	2,919 67
Vernon Center, Rev. L. H. Barber.....	25 00	A. H. R., \$8; A College girl, \$10; E. C., \$2; G. G., \$500, special.....	520 00
NEW YORK—\$13,923.81; of which Legacies, \$6,000.00.		Norfolk, by Rev. F. W. Johnson.....	5 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, Treas.....		North Lawrence, Nancy Williams.....	5 00
Brooklyn, Ladies' Benev. Soc., Tompkins Avenue Ch., for Salary Fund.....	\$400 00	Northville, by J. H. Downs.....	30 50
Homer, "Band of Hope".....	5 00	North Walton, by W. M. Hoyt.....	15 65
Mrs. Coleman Hitchcock.....	5 00	Patchogue, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. A. E. Colton.....	5 00
Parishville, Mrs. Joanna Brown.....	1 00	Pulaski, by G. L. Sherwood.....	6 00
H. Jarvis, Southville.....	2 00	Rochester, by Rev. G. E. Soper.....	10 00
Riverhead, Woman's H. M. U.....	10 00	Roscoe, by Rev. E. Curtis.....	5 00
Sherburne, Aux., for Debt.....	53 00	Rutland, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. Andrus.....	2 00
	476 00	Sayville, Y. P. S. C. E., by J. Z. O'Brien.....	4 10
Batavia, Mrs. Mary K. Nichols, deceased, by J. J. Washburn.....	200 00	Sherburne, A Friend.....	100 00
Blooming Grove, by Rev. W. Hathaway.....	25 00	Siloam and Fairview, by Rev. E. Roberts.....	4 50
Bridgewater, by Rev. S. Manning.....	27 00	Smyrna, Ch., \$28.02; S. S. Miss. Soc., \$54.07; Apperillo, S. S., \$6.85, by H. M. Dixon.....	88 94

Suspension Bridge, Rev. H. S. Huntington.....	\$1 00	ALABAMA—\$30.41.	
Syracuse, by W. Ogden.....	22 00	Montgomery, Industrial School, Miss	
Warsaw, Cong. S. S., by W. A. Walker	25 00	Nellie H. Nutting.....	\$2 00
Add'l, by F. W. Relyea.....	50	Talladega, First, by E. D. Silsby.....	78 41
Westchester, William Abbott.....	1 00		
Wilmington, by Rev. D. Fish.....	5 00	LOUISIANA—\$7.35.	
NEW JERSEY—\$230.06.		Coushatta, by Rev. J. O. Williams.....	3 00
Bloomfield, D. B. Coe, D.D.....	50 00	Williams Chapel, by Rev. C. C. Joyce..	4 35
Bound Brook, Ladies' Miss. Soc., add'l,		ARKANSAS—45 cents.	
\$5; Miss'y Soc., "The Ruths," \$3, by		Rogers, by Rev. J. G. Bailey.....	45
Miss M. H. Roundey.....	8 00		
Glen Ridge, by E. A. Kayner.....	19 00	FLORIDA—\$362.96.	
Jersey City, Waverly Ch., by Rev. N.		Received by Rev. S. F. Gale:	
M. Sherwood.....	8 54	Jacksonville, Phillips Ch ...	\$2 40
Montclair, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Louisa		Rev. F. W. Lyman, Treas. Fla.	
W. Butler, for Salary Fund.....	137 50	H. M. Soc.:	
Morristown, Mrs. A. L. Eastman.....	40	Annual Meeting	25 19
Park Ridge, Cong. S. S.....	3 17	Orange City.....	40 00
Vineland, Cong. S. S., special, by Mrs.		Ormond.....	26 86
C. S. Buck.....	2 20	Winter Park.....	73 75
Warrenville, by Rev. A. F. Hertel.....	1 25	S. S.....	7 81
			176 01
PENNSYLVANIA—\$129.22.		Dayton and Port Orange, by Rev. C. M.	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. T. W. Jones,		Bingham.....	24 00
Treas.:		Mt. Dora and Tangerine, by Rev. B.	
Riceville, Aux.....	8 50	Stafford.....	58 81
Beaver Meadow, by Rev. D. T. Davies.	3 25	Orlando, by Rev. C. L. Woodworth, Jr.	25 00
Edwardsdale, Bethesda Ch., \$1.67; S.S.,		Ormond, by Rev. M. W. Fairfield.....	14 14
\$5, by Rev. D. L. Davis.....	6 07	Tampa, First, by Mrs. C. S. Eliot.....	42 00
Exeter, First, by Dea. W. M. Koenig...	2 50	Waldo, A Friend.....	3 00
Hartford, by Rev. N. Light toward a		Winter Park, Cong. S. S., special, by J.	
L. M.....	23 54	Capen.....	20 00
Kane, Ch., \$29.37; S. S., \$6.07; Little		TEXAS—\$84.47.	
Missionary Workers, \$5; Woman's H.		Dallas, First, by Rev. C. I. Scofield....	35 47
M. Soc., \$3, by N. H. Davis.....	43 94	Denison, by Rev. L. W. Hicks.....	16 00
Parsons, by Rev. W. I. Williams.....	5 00	Palestine, by Rev. E. F. Fales.....	33 00
Ridgway, by Rev. A. Sjöberg.....	3 63		
Sharon, by Rev. G. Henshaw.....	20 29	INDIAN TERRITORY—\$2.56.	
West Bangor, by Rev. J. Cadwalader..	2 50	Hennesey and Hope, by Rev. J. S.	
West Pittston, Tabernacle Ch., by Rev.		Hawkes.....	2 56
R. Daniels.....	10 00		
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$5,129.26; of		ARIZONA—270.00.	
which Legacy, \$5,000.00.		Arizona, A Friend.....	200 00
Washington, Legacy of George Francis,		Prescott, First, by W. E. Hazeltine....	40 00
by A. C. Brook and Josephine		Cong. S. S., by M. Gould, for Salary	
Hemenway, Exs.....	5,000 00	Fund.....	30 00
First, add'l, by S. H. Galpin.....	39 26	TENNESSEE—\$25.00.	
L. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., of which		Knoxville, Rev. P. D. Cowan.....	25 00
\$25, for Salary Fund, by Miss L.			
Patterson.....	40 00	OHIO—\$3,608.69; of which Legacy,	
A Friend.....	50 00	\$1,740.53.	
VIRGINIA—\$44.05.		Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser,	
Falls Church, by B. W. Pond.....	41 05	D.D.:	
Herdon, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. J. K.		Ashland, Mrs. N. M. Carter, by	
Mason.....	3 00	Rev. J. M. Merrill.....	\$5 00
SOUTH CAROLINA—\$15.00.		Atwater, by H. E. Brush.....	21 10
Greenwood, Mrs. M. M. Pond and Mrs.		Brookfield, Welsh, by W. J.	
J. E. B. Jewett.....	15 00	Roberts.....	3 00
GEORGIA—\$60.17.		English, Ch. and S. S., by A.	
Andersonville, by Rev. C. F. Sargent..	2 20	W. McIntosh.....	10 00
Atlanta, by Rev. W. F. Brewer.....	5 21	Brooklyn, by John Singleton.....	8 82
Danielsville, Rev. W. L. Kirk.....	5 00	Brownhelm, by Dora E. Butler.....	34 00
Fort Valley and Phoenix City, by Rev.		Canfield, by H. B. Tanner.....	10 00
S. E. Bassett.....	9 05	Castalia, by H. A. Loring, in	
Howells Mills, Center Ch., by Rev. H.		part, for a L. M.....	33 00
E. Newton.....	2 71	Chatham, by M. W. Packard.....	33 00
Liberty, Concord, and Ebenezer, by		Cincinnati, Central, of which	
Rev. M. G. Fleming.....	6 50	from S. S., \$27.54, by A. H.	
Macon, by Rev. W. L. Jones.....	19 44	Myers.....	230 04
Plainville, by Rev. J. H. McCool.....	90	Welsh, by B. Evans.....	40 00
Teazle, by Rev. J. C. Forrester.....	7 50	Cleveland, First, by R. O. Bes-	
Woodville, Pilgrim Ch., by J. Loyd.....	1 66	wick.....	61 97
		Mrs. A. F. Russell.....	5 00

Franklin Avenue, by Rev. H. O. Allen.....	\$25 50
Franklin Avenue S. S. Easter Gift, by Rev. H. O. Allen....	7 57
Bethlehem, of which S. S., \$12; Y. P. S. C. E., \$2.95, by Mrs. J. C. Skinner.....	63 92
Rev. J. R. Nichols, special....	5 00
Cortland, by C. L. Richards....	5 62
Cyclone, by Rev. T. A. Humphreys.....	16 00
Elyria, E. W. Metcalf.....	100 00
Ethna, by Rev. W. Lewis....	10 00
Geneva, Y. P. S. C. E., by Will P. Holt.....	5 50
Greenwich, Rev. G. H. De Kay, special.....	1 00
Hudson, by Miss E. E. Metcalf.....	8 00
Huntsburgh, of which S. S., \$5; Y. P. S. C. E., \$3, by Arthur W. Tuttle.....	32 90
Jefferson, add'l, by Rev. E. J. Craft.....	75
Lexington, by Rev. J. B. Davies.....	11 53
Mansfield, First, by Grace Reed	100 00
Medina, Y. P. S. C. E., by J. T. Calvert.....	25 00
Mesopotamia, Individuals by Rev. J. P. Krum.....	3 00
Moss Run, Rev. G. W. Wells....	6 50
Mt. Vernon, special Easter offering, by Rev. S. Strong.....	27 27
North Union, J. Corlett, by Rev. E. E. Scoville.....	1 00
Pierpont, by J. L. Lyall.....	2 00
Radner, S. S., by John Powell.....	6 00
Rockport, by Rev. E. A. Hoffman.....	12 35
Twinsburg.....	28 31
Wauseon, by Mrs. Florence Guilford.....	24 45
Received in February by S. P. Churchill, Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:	
Columbus, Rev. B. Talbot.....	\$1 00
Madison, Central S. S.....	16 90
	\$17 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
Akron, West Cong. Ch.....	\$12 50
Chagrin Falls.....	4 00
Edinburg, Aux.....	5 00
Harnar.....	10
Oberlin, First, Ladies' Aid Soc.....	50 00
Second, Ladies' Soc.....	75 00
Springfield.....	5 00
	\$151 60

Received by S. P. Churchill, Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:	
Columbus, Rev. B. Talbot.....	\$1 00
Madison, Central S. S.....	16 90
	\$17 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
Akron, West Cong. Ch.....	\$12 50
Chagrin Falls.....	4 00
Edinburg, Aux.....	5 00
Harnar.....	10
Oberlin, First, Ladies' Aid Soc.....	50 00
Second, Ladies' Soc.....	75 00
Springfield.....	5 00
	\$151 60

Received by S. P. Churchill, Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:	
Cleveland, First.....	\$28 00
Plymouth, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
A Friend.....	25 00
Huntsburgh, S. S.....	5 00
Unionville, S. S.....	15 58
	\$78 58

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
Clarksville, L. M. S.....	9 00
Cleveland, First, L. H. M. S.....	25 00
No. Ridgeville, H. M. S.....	5 00
Oberlin, First, L. A. S.....	25 00
Ravenna, Mission Band.....	5 00
Tallmadge, Cheerful Givers..	5 02
	\$74 02

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
Bristol.....	\$7 00

Charlestown, W. M. Soc.....	\$4 00
Juvenile Soc.....	1 50
Columbus, High Street Ch., Y. L. M. Soc.....	10 00
Madison, Mrs. L. H. Roe.....	20 00
Mt. Vernon, W. M. Soc.....	25 00
Tallmadge, "Cheerful Givers"	5 00
	\$72 50

Alexis, for Bohemian work, by Rev. H. A. Schaulier, D.D.....	5 00
Ashtabula, Saybrook S. S., by F. K. Ilhert.....	8 35
Belden, \$8.25; Grafton, \$4.25, by Rev. D. D. McKimmining.....	12 50
Cincinnati, Walnut Hills Ch., by C. A. Stevens.....	105 06
Cleveland, Irving Street Ch., by R. Quaife.....	23 14
Swedish, by Rev. A. W. Franklin....	3 00
Columbus, North Cong. S. S., by John Riebel.....	7 78
Dayton, \$18.71; S. S., \$4.66, by Rev. G. W. Belsey.....	23 37
Jackson, by Rev. S. P. Busler.....	5 00
Kelloggsville, First, by Miss L. Armor Kingsville, Legacy of Myson Whiting, by J. H. Kinnea, Ex.....	1,740 53
Lima, by Rev. J. F. Davies.....	3 00
Oberlin, Second Cong. S. S., by H. A. West.....	55 16
Painesville, First, \$127; A Friend, \$5, by Z. F. Casterline.....	132 00
Sandusky, First, by H. H. West.....	4 85
Shedfield, by W. A. Day.....	12 00
Sherodsville, by Rev. I. Thomas.....	5 00
York, \$25; Lafayette, \$10, by Rev. E. F. Baird.....	35 00
Zanesville, by Rev. D. I. Jones.....	5 60

INDIANA.—\$182.75.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis:	
Ambosy.....	\$2 80
Brazil, by Mrs. C. S. Andrews.....	1 00
Coal Bluff.....	2 06
Fairmount, by S. W. Pollard.....	4 60
	10 46

Received by Rev. J. Hayes:	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Treas.:	
Cardonia, Ch. and S. S.....	\$6 26
Coal Bluff, Ch.....	6 67
S. S.....	1 38
Indianapolis, Mayflower Ch.....	30 60
Miss E. B. King, for Coal Mine Mission.....	5 00
Michigan City, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
Southern Assoc., by Mrs. L. A. Wilson.....	5 00
	59 31

Andrews, by Rev. F. C. Woodard.....	5 26
Brightwood, by Rev. J. Harden.....	6 82
East Chicago, by Rev. J. H. Simons....	7 60
Fairmount, Rev. S. W. Pollard.....	10 00
Liber, by Rev. J. R. Mason.....	4 00
Hammond, First, by H. A. Holcomb....	1 10
Northeastern Ind. Assoc., by Rev. C. A. Gleason, for Salary Fund.....	25 00
Ontario, by Rev. J. R. Preston.....	7 50
Orland, in part, by Rev. D. Q. Travis....	25 00
Washington, by Rev. R. W. Clark.....	13 00
Westchester, by Rev. E. L. Brooks.....	8 30

ILLINOIS—\$736.00.

Illinois Home Missionary Society.....	\$22,715 30
Illinois Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. James Tompkins, D.D., Sec.....	500 00
Chicago, New England Ch., Miss R. A. Wentworth.....	200 00
Illinois State Institution for the Education of the Deaf, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. Shaw.....	4 00

Princeton, "Friends".....	\$5 00
Rockford, Mrs. H. S. Helm, by Rev. H. A. Schauiller, D. D.....	2 00
Sycamore, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wood, in memory of their deceased son.....	25 00

MISSOURI—\$1,884.92.

Received by Rev. F. B. Doe:

Brookfield.....	\$25 00
St. Louis, Plymouth Ch.....	21 15
Third.....	61 00
Springfield, First, Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 00

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E.

Cook, Treas.:	
Aurora.....	\$25 00
Carthage, Ch.....	71 15
L. H. M. U.....	63 00
Eldon.....	5 00
Hamilton.....	12 00
Honey Creek.....	3 00
Kansas City, First, L. H. M. U.....	120 00
First.....	93 50
S. W. Tabernacle.....	3 00
Clyde Ch.....	5 23
Homeland Circle, First.....	6 14
Kidder.....	6 00
"Opportunity Club".....	5 00
Lamar.....	5 00
Lebanon.....	10 00
Meadville.....	13 12
Mine La Motte, Y. L. S.....	15 00
New Cambria.....	9 00
Pierce City, First.....	11 00
St. Louis, First Ch.....	75 54
Third Ch.....	15 00
Olive Branch Ch.....	10 00
Compton Hill Ch.....	41 61
Y. L. M. S. of First Ch.....	13 00
Hyde Park.....	25 00
Plymouth.....	11 41
People's Tabernacle.....	3 00
Ch. of the Redeemer.....	3 00
Compton Hill Ch.....	35 85
Pilgrim Ch.....	111 60
Aubert Place Ch.....	3 00
St. Joseph, Tabernacle Ch.....	16 66
Sappington.....	4 50
Sedalia.....	25 00
Springfield, First.....	25 00
Central Ch.....	21 43
German Ch.....	3 00
West St. Louis, Cheltenham Memorial Ch.....	15 00

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Aurora, by Rev. T. C. Walker.....	30 00
Bonne Terre, by Rev. J. B. Fiske.....	16 00
Dawn, Welsh Ch., by J. R. Davis.....	10 00
Dixon and Liberty, by Rev. F. M. Stickney.....	4 00
Joplin, by Rev. A. P. Johnson.....	24 00
Kansas City, First, add'l, by J. W. Perkins.....	10 00
Clyde Ch., \$100; S. S., \$10, by W. W. Findlay.....	110 00
By Rev. H. H. Russell.....	6 40
Kidder, by Rev. A. L. Gridley.....	23 60
Laclede, A Friend, for Debt, to const. Miss Rattie Haight a L. M.....	50 00
La Grange, by Rev. W. Stock.....	2 00
New Cambria, Welsh Ch., by W. S. Jones.....	4 50
Republic, by H. G. Criswell.....	7 20
St. Clair, by Rev. A. H. Rogers.....	5 00
St. Louis, German Ch., by Rev. G. Horst.....	4 05
People's Tab. Ch., by Rev. J. D. Nutting.....	12 04
Pilgrim Ch., by G. L. Day.....	100 00
Ch. of the Redeemer, by Rev. E. E. Willey.....	20 00
Union Ch., by Rev. D. W. Bartlett.....	9 35
Sedalia, First, by W. H. Van Wagner.....	\$68 11

Springfield, First, by E. C. Evans, to const. Mrs. A. P. Hall, Hon. E. D. Parce, Dea. A. R. Sprague, and Dea. F. S. Denny L. Ms.....	222 15
Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. W. H. Williams.....	31 00
By Rev. J. F. Graf.....	7 50
Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Rev. J. G. Wade.....	7 15
Windsor, by Rev. F. W. Hullinger.....	44 00

MICHIGAN—\$5,627.28.

Received by Rev. L. Warren:

Ada.....	\$2 65
Allegan, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Stiles.....	3 00
Alpena.....	207 50
Atwood.....	1 00
Benton Harbor.....	34 29
Cannon.....	20 40
Charlevoix.....	30 00
Chassell.....	8 00
Chesterfield.....	3 30
Chippewa Lake, N. Star Mission.....	45
Clinton.....	11 00
Columbus.....	17 73
Detroit, Mt. Hope Ch., \$14; Willing Workers, \$6.....	20 00
East Fulton.....	20 28
Eastport.....	5 00
East Saginaw.....	113 21
Eaton Rapids, Dr. A. C. Dutton.....	25 00
Frankfort.....	10 61
Freepot, S. S., N. Star Mission.....	1 50
Grand Rapids.....	225 00
Grass Lake.....	36 00
"Gratitude," by Aliquis.....	500 00
Hart.....	35 00
Hersey.....	3 00
Lamont.....	3 00
Leroy.....	17 00
Leslie.....	13 32
Second.....	5 00
Linden.....	1 26
Litchfield.....	20 79
Mattison.....	5 00
Napoleon.....	13 50
Olivet.....	81 53
Omena.....	8 49
Otsego.....	21 65
Port Huron, S. S.....	20 00
Pottersville, Rev. J. Hyslop.....	5 00
Richmond, Cong. S. S.....	6 74
Rochester, S. S., N. Star Mission.....	3 27
St. Clair.....	155 00
Saugatuck.....	7 00
Somerseset.....	28 00
Rev. Lyman S. Keen.....	3 00
South Haven.....	14 80
Sugar Island, Dea. W. McKinney.....	8 00
Tawas City, S. S., N. Star Miss'n.....	2 50
Wacousta, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 02
Wheatland, add'l.....	1 00
Whitehall.....	25 25
Ypsilanti.....	20 25
George C. Smith.....	4 00

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F.

Grabill, Treas., rec'd in Feb.:	
Allegan, toward a L. M.....	\$18 50
Alpena.....	10 55
Ann Arbor.....	16 50
A Friend.....	1 00
Benzonia.....	4 50
Mrs. Josephine Merrill Adams.....	10 00
Ceresco.....	50
Cheboygan.....	5 00
Clare.....	4 40
Clinton.....	5 00
Colorado Springs, Mrs. H. D. Rogers.....	5 00
Constantine.....	5 50
Cooper.....	10 00
Detroit, Ladies' Union, \$50; special gift, \$1.....	\$51 00

East Saginaw.....	30 60
Farwell, Special contribution..	8 36
Galesburg.....	7 85
Greenville.....	11 00
Harrison.....	10 60
Laingsburg, in part for a L. M.	10 69
Ludington, Self-denial offering	21 50
Perry, A few Ladies of the Ch..	4 83
Red Jacket.....	10 00
Romeo, A Friend, for Salary	
Fund.....	5 00
St. Ignace.....	85
St. Johns.....	7 60
Sheiby, L. Aid Soc.....	5 00
Three Oaks.....	1 10
Vermontville.....	62 41
West Adrian.....	9 54
Whittaker.....	10 09
Ypsilanti.....	6 25

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Young People's North Star Mission:

Ada, Two or three young people.....	49
Alpine and Walker, Jun. F. M. S.....	\$6 64
Atheus, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 35
Batavia, S. S.....	1 00
Benton Harbor, Mission Band	1 00
Calumet, Y. P. S. C. E., special gift.....	54 00
Chelsea, S. S., proceeds of concert.....	10 61
Coloma, S. S.....	4 57
Covert, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 39
H. Lull.....	5 00
Eaton Rapids, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
Flint, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 50
Grand Rapids, Y. P. S. C. E. of Smith Memorial Ch.....	2 00
Homestead, S. S.....	1 00
Lamont, Y. P. S. C. E. and S. S.	5 00
Linden, S. S.....	1 27
Manistee, Willing Helpers.....	5 00
Portland, Y. P. S. C. E.....	6 54
Red Jacket.....	5 00
Somerset and Addison, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 00
Sheridan, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 65
Mrs. Cladin's Bible-class.....	2 35
Vernon, S. S.....	5 00
Buds of Promise Mission Band.....	7 12

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F. Grabbill, Treas..... \$1,122 50

Received by Rev. C. F. Van Auker:

Bridgman.....	\$1 25
Chassell.....	11 38
Hancock.....	53 78
Howard City.....	6 60
Middleville.....	14 58
Mulliken.....	8 12
Oxford.....	30 00
Red Jacket.....	50 60
Richmond.....	32 53
Rochester.....	35 00
St. Ignace.....	22 85
Salem, Second.....	60 47

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Churches and Individuals, by Rev. A. Van Auker.....

Van Auker.....	22 04
Addison, by R. Gordon.....	11 65
Ann Arbor, First, by R. Campbell.....	136 25
Ashley, by Rev. E. L. Anderson.....	6 87
Atheus, by E. Stimpson.....	20 00
Bedcroft, by Rev. A. T. Waterman.....	19 00
Beftord, by C. W. Holden.....	10 00
Bellaire, Central Lake, and Clam Lake, by Rev. T. H. Warren.....	\$6 80

Big Rapids, by Rev. H. A. Kerns.....	60 40
Chippewa Lake and Rodney, by Rev. I. B. Lillie.....	1 96
Coral and Howard City, by Rev. W. A. Elliott.....	1 25
Croton and Big Prairie, by Rev. R. Vivian.....	12 50
Detroit, First, by G. M. Lane.....	330 55
Freeport, Mrs. Julia Ward, by Rev. M. C. Dixon.....	1 00
Gaylord, by Rev. G. W. Sulwell.....	15 00
Gladstone, by Rev. G. C. Empson.....	16 50
Green Oak, A. E. Thompson.....	1 00
Greenville, by E. F. Grabbill.....	25 00
Hancock, by Rev. G. Mylne.....	25 00
Harrison, by Rev. G. Benford.....	6 80
Howard City, \$2.50; Coral, \$2.50, by Rev. W. A. Elliott.....	5 00
Imlay City, First, by Rev. W. Anderson, through H. W. Hubbard, Treas. A. M. A.....	15 60
Jackson, First, by W. W. Bennett.....	400 00
Kalkaska and Excelsior, by Rev. J. Whalley.....	8 00
Kenall, by Rev. C. B. Sear.....	16 00
Laingsburg, by J. V. D. Wyckoff, with previous don., to const. Mrs. Anna E. Van Ommeren a L. M.....	10 00
Lake Linden, by Rev. G. Mylne.....	60 00
Lansing, Plymouth Ch., by M. A. Hume	167 87
Leonidas, First, by Mrs. C. Wilcox.....	4 19
Maple City and Solon, by Rev. E. Ten Eyke.....	27 00
Minden City, Helena, and Carsonville, by Rev. J. M. Warren.....	17 50
Muskegon, by Rev. J. F. Kellogg.....	12 50
Newaygo, by Rev. E. C. Herrington.....	20 00
Perry, by Rev. S. Taylor.....	7 87
Red Jacket, by Rev. G. Mylne.....	40 00
Rockford, by Rev. C. Finster.....	37 50
Roscommon, by Rev. W. H. Hurlbut.....	4 00
Rosedale, \$8; Hay Lake, \$2, by Rev. W. Childs.....	10 00
St. Johns, add'l, by A. J. Baldwin.....	29 36
St. Joseph, by Rev. H. F. Tyler.....	122 00
Sheidan and Evergreen, by Rev. A. H. Cladin.....	2 00
Superior and Bay Mills, by Rev. J. McGregor.....	3 00
Three Oaks, Hon. Henry Chamberlain, by G. B. Waldron.....	5 00
Watervliet, \$43.29; Coloma, \$14.66, by Rev. W. B. Dada.....	57 35
Wayland and Bradley, by Rev. J. T. Walker.....	13 40
Williamston, by Rev. C. C. Wood.....	15 00
Flint, First, \$71.45. [Erroneously acknowledged under Minn. receipts in April issue.]	

WISCONSIN—\$599.16; of which Legacy, \$154.43.

Wisconsin Home Missionary Soc....*\$12,546 58

Received by Rev. G. W. Nelson.....

Tomahawk, add'l.....	10
Washburn.....	\$22 66
	22 76

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Treas.:

Beloit, First, for work among Bohemians..... 20 00

Beloit, Mrs. S. M. Clury.....	10 00
Bloomer, by Rev. A. Kidder.....	16 50
Clear Lake, \$2; Eagle River, \$9.05, by Rev. G. W. Nelson.....	11 05
Durand, by P. W. Goodrich.....	15 27
Hudson, G. W. Ellis.....	8 20
Lynxville, by J. P. Dickerman.....	6 00
Washburn, by Rev. H. Peterson.....	4 95
Waukesha, Legacy of Newton S. Kendrick, by F. W. Noyes, Ex.....	454 43
Wisconsin, A Friend.....	25 00

IOWA—\$354.04: of which Legacy, \$291.25.

Iowa Home Missionary Society.....	\$19,624 04
Danville, L. & W. Mix, by S. H. Mix.....	5 00
Davenport, by Rev. A. K. Resner.....	8 00
Des Moines, On account of Rollin's Legacy, by S. A. Merrill.....	291 25
Hastings, by Mrs. H. C. Robbins.....	5 79
Sioux City, by Rev. F. Egerland.....	5 00
Strawberry Point, First, by P. E. Peck.....	19 00

MINNESOTA—\$1,681.96.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley:

Alexandria.....	\$15 05
Belgrade, Rev. W. C. Warren.....	5 00
Cannon Falls.....	15 00
Glencoe, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 82
Granite Falls.....	13 00
Hamilton.....	9 05
Hawley.....	3 71
Hopkins, Bohemian Ch.....	\$1 32
Hutchinson.....	10 00
Mantorville.....	5 60
Mankato.....	13 25
Mapleton.....	4 22
Mazeppa.....	9 00
Minneapolis, Vine.....	15 00
Lyndale.....	36 19
Plymouth.....	325 24
The Twins.....	25
New Duluth, Mrs. Colley and Son.....	5 00
Northfield.....	59 65
Plainview.....	41 16
S. S.....	8 00
Rochester.....	59 87
Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 30
St. Paul, Atlantic.....	51 75
People's.....	5 00
St. Anthony Park.....	55 97
Sterling.....	5 00
S. S.....	2 00
Center.....	1 50
Waseca.....	12 60

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M.

W. Skinner, Treas.:

Austin.....	\$5 70
Benson.....	5 00
Dawson.....	1 51
Dodge Center.....	17 75
Elk River.....	13 90
Excelsior.....	6 13
Faribault, Teachers, Deaf and Dumb School.....	4 00
Mrs. J. L. Noyes, \$2.50; Miss Sarah Evans, \$1.....	3 50
Fredonia.....	4 00
Hawley, S. S.....	4 07
Lake City.....	15 00

To const. Mrs. Marcus Morton a L. M.....

Little Falls, Earnest Workers.....

Mazeppa.....

Minneapolis, First.....

Plymouth, to const. Mrs. J. H. Stevens, Mrs. O. J. Griffith, Mrs. Edith Theodosia

Morley L. Ms.....

Young Ladies.....

Park Avenue.....

New Umn, concert coll.....

Northfield.....

Owatonna.....

Paynesville.....

Rochester, Whatsoever Society.....

St. Cloud, King's Daughters.....

St. Paul, Park Ch.....

Plymouth.....

Miss Nichols' "Thank-offering".....

Stewart, Mrs. Lockeshy.....

Stillwater.....

Wabasha.....

\$652 86 \$1,524 75

Audubon and Lake Park, by Rev. E. A.

Wood.....

Clearwater, \$10.07: Hasty, \$7.36, by

Rev. U. G. Rich.....

Dawson and Marietta, Ch., by Rev. H.

O. Lawrence.....

Detroit City and Lakeview, by Rev. W.

C. A. Wallar.....

Edgerton, by Rev. E. Carter.....

Lanesboro, by Rev. R. A. Clark.....

Minneapolis, Bethany Ch., by Rev. S.

J. Rogers.....

Como Avenue Ch., by Rev. G. E.

Paddock.....

Open Door Ch., by Rev. K. F. Norris.

Pilgrim Ch., by A. R. Taylor.....

New Richland, by Rev. P. H. Fisk.....

Rochester, A Friend.....

Sank Rapids, by Rev. C. E. Walker.....

Sank Rapids and St. Cloud, \$2.50;

Miloca, \$1; Foreston, \$1; Clear Lake

50c., by Rev. B. Finnstrom.....

West Duluth, by Rev. W. Moore.....

Windom, by Rev. L. Anderson.....

KANSAS—\$1,866.94.

Received by Rev. L. P. Broad:

Wallace.....	\$5 00
Wichita, Olivet.....	2 20

7 20

Received by Rev. J. G. Dougherty, Treas.:

Buffalo.....	\$2 25
Carbondale.....	11 50
Diamond Springs.....	3 80
Dover.....	9 00
Fort Scott, Ch.....	27 85
S. S.....	4 15
Garfield.....	10 00
Geneva.....	8 25
Geuda Springs, Ladies' Soc.....	10 00
Hiawatha, of which \$50.59 to const. a L. M.....	60 47
Highland.....	12 00
Kansas City, First, add'l.....	20 00
Lauwood.....	2 00
Manhattan.....	\$1 30
Neosho Falls.....	16 15
Ottawa.....	28 40
Ridgeway.....	21 00
Six Mile.....	3 02
Sterling.....	23 00
Stockton.....	7 61
Udall.....	8 50
Vernon.....	2 85
Western Park.....	11 73

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Woman's Home Miss. Soc., Mrs.

J. G. Dougherty, Treas., to

const. Mrs. W. E. Fowler, Mrs.

H. H. Spencer, and Mrs. Susan

D. Alford L. Ms.:

Argentine.....	\$8 00
Blossington.....	4 50
Chapman.....	22 50
Dover.....	6 00
Fort Scott.....	12 50
Garnett.....	15 00
Geneva.....	1 50
J. H. Spicer.....	5 00
Goshen.....	10 00
Hiawatha.....	62 38
Kansas City.....	30 00
Lawrence, Plymouth, Y. L. S.....	15 00
Leona.....	4 00
McPherson.....	6 00

Neosha Falls.....	\$9 25	Clarks.....	\$5 00
Nickerson.....	13 00	Clay Center.....	7 40
Oneida.....	4 00	Creighton.....	15 00
Ottawa.....	10 52	Cummingsville.....	1 09
Paola.....	10 10	Deshler, German Ch.....	2 00
Pierna.....	2 00	Doniphan.....	1 70
Severy.....	6 00	Fairfield.....	75 20
Stafford.....	1 00	Genoa.....	10 05
Valley Falls.....	6 00	Gloversville.....	1 50
Wellsville.....	5 00	Greenwood.....	26 90
Wichita, Plymouth.....	3 75	Guide Rock.....	2 05
Ladies' Aux. of Olivet Ch., by Rev. R. L. Marsh.....	5 00	Harvard.....	11 17
		Keuka.....	1 00
		Lincoln, First.....	46 75
	\$290 90 \$675 76	Vine Street Ch.....	15 18
Alton and Bloomington, by Rev. O. A. Palmer.....	15 31	Plymouth Ch.....	2 33
Athol, \$9; Agra, \$4, by Rev. H. F. Mark- ham.....	13 00	Milford.....	7 25
Brookville, by Rev. S. Wood.....	9 38	Newcastle.....	3 00
Blue Rapids, by Rev. J. T. Nichols.....	10 50	Norfolk.....	32 00
Capioma, by Rev. W. M. Wellman.....	29 50	North Bend.....	1 10
Clay Center, by Rev. D. E. Burtner.....	25 00	North Hastings.....	2 00
Clear Creek, by Rev. J. J. Wilson.....	8 00	Omaha, First.....	33 00
Downs, by Rev. W. B. Shaw.....	2 00	Saratoga Ch.....	6 00
Garnett, by Rev. A. O. Penniman.....	26 00	St. Mary's Avenue Ch.....	50 67
Gaylord and Twelve Mile, by Rev. W. Haresnape.....	5 00	Park.....	2 00
Goodland, Ch., \$6.54; Collyer, \$14.35, by Rev. E. Richards.....	20 59	Clysses.....	7 10
Hendon and Ludell, by Rev. W. Suess.....	4 50	Urbana.....	2 00
Independence, First, by Rev. H. C. Vrooman.....	15 00	Verden.....	14 25
Kiowa, by Dea. C. V. K. Woodworth.....	84 00	West Cedar Valley.....	2 00
Lawrence, Plymouth Ch., \$99.17; Y. P. S. C. E., \$3.53, by C. L. Edwards.....	102 75	Willow Valley.....	5 00
S. S. of Plymouth Ch., by W. E. Ha- zen.....	25 20	Wisner.....	5 70
Longton, by Rev. C. E. Williams.....	4 66	York, First.....	53 00
McDonald, by G. M. Lambert.....	3 90		\$523 57
Mt. Hope and Haven, by Rev. F. Fos- ter.....	3 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Treas.....	\$190 81
Muscatoh, by Rev. R. W. Harlow.....	3 00	Chadron, S. S.....	13 70
Newton, by Rev. P. Pinch.....	35 61	Clarks, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 00
North Lawrence, by Rev. D. A. Strong.....	12 55	Crete, S. S.....	1 66
Olathe, by Rev. W. C. Veazie.....	50 00	David C. ty.....	1 95
Overbrook, by Eagon and Hilkey.....	5 00	Fremont, S. S.....	9 19
Parsons, by Rev. P. M. Griffin.....	12 50	Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 00
St. Francis, \$10; Bird City, \$7.50, by Rev. H. H. Avery.....	17 50	Harvard, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 70
St. Mary's, by W. S. Crouch.....	10 00	Indianola, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 25
Salina, by Rev. W. C. Veazie.....	75 00	Kearney.....	20 00
Seneca, add'l, by Rev. G. C. Lochridge.....	5 00	Lincoln, First, of which \$50, to const. Mary Randolph Camp- bell a L. M.....	75 00
Severy, by S. A. Dixon.....	4 10	Pilgrim, S. S.....	6 35
Smith Center and Cora, by Rev. J. Winslow.....	8 00	Norfolk, S. S.....	7 23
Spring Hill, by Rev. J. E. Courter.....	10 35	Omaha, First.....	195 47
Stafford and Plevna, by Rev. G. A. Wood.....	28 25	Springfield.....	50
Topeka, First, by H. C. Bowman, to const. Rev. L. P. Broad, G. S. Everts, Miss Mary E. Smedley, A. F. Pea- body, Mrs. M. H. Jaquith, and Della Ludington L. Ms.....	304 20	Syracuse.....	6 00
Wabausnee, Mrs. J. Noyes.....	5 00		\$1,132 68
Wakfield, \$3; Rev. J. C. Villiers, \$10; Milford, \$2.50, by Rev. J. C. Villiers.....	15 50		\$539 06
Wellington, by Rev. F. V. Stevens.....	100 00	Received by Rev. G. E. Taylor:	
Wichita, Mayflower Ch., by Rev. W. J. Marsh.....	10 00	McCook.....	\$11 00
Plymouth Ch., by Rev. S. F. Millikan.....	51 83	Madrid.....	3 50
		Moline.....	3 00
		Naponee.....	4 05
		Upland.....	1 45
		G. E. Taylor.....	12 54
			35 94
NEBRASKA.—\$1,380.22.		Campbell, \$6.10; Bladen, \$2.40, by Rev. W. H. Houston.....	8 50
Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:		Cortland and Pickrell, by Rev. G. J. Battey.....	18 23
Arberville.....	\$9 75	Crawford, by Rev. G. J. Powell.....	6 30
Ashfield.....	26 40	Geneva, by Rev. H. J. Zercher.....	16 00
Aurora.....	12 10	Hay Springs, by Rev. S. Dakin.....	3 00
Beatrice.....	30 02	Hebron, Rev. P. Weidman.....	2 00
Beaver Creek, German Ch.....	1 30	Inland and Stockham, by Rev. G. Grob.....	3 80
Blair.....	20 00	Long Pine, by Rev. S. I. Hanford.....	11 09
Bradshaw.....	1 00	Monroe, by Rev. R. W. Gammon.....	1 75
Camp Creek.....	14 00	Ogallala, by Rev. A. E. Ricker.....	9 34
Chadron.....	19 00	Omaha, Cherry Hill Ch., by Rev. J. A. Milligan.....	3 25
		Mrs. Reuben Gaylord, in part, from Life and Labors of Rev. Reuben Gaylord.....	52 00
		Palisade, by Rev. W. Woolman.....	2 54
		Plymouth, by Rev. J. Cooper.....	20 00
		Riverton, by Rev. J. W. Hadden.....	17 19

Scribner, Mrs. C. G. Bowlus.....	\$5 00
Silver Creek, by Rev. H. C. Halbersleben.....	12 25
Wahoo, by Rev. A. A. Cressman.....	15 50

[ERRATUM: Neb. Woman's H. M. Union, North Hastings \$2. Erroneously acknowledged in December Number.]

NORTH DAKOTA—\$211.95.

Received by Rev. H. C. Simmons:	
Candowith.....	\$8 33
Fargo, First.....	53 82
Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 15
S. S.....	3 60

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M. Fisher, Treas.:	
Cooperstown.....	\$2 00
Dexter.....	5 00
Fargo, "Star Mission Band" of	
First Ch.....	7 60
First Ch.....	45 00
Lisbon.....	3 60

62 60

Amenia, 78c., Niagara, 39c., Michigan City, \$2.38, by Rev. E. H. Stickney...	3 50
Caledonia, by Rev. J. W. Danford.....	6 90
Carrington, by Rev. J. E. Jones.....	12 90
Dawson and Tappan, by Rev. T. W. Thurston.....	9 23
Dickinson, by Rev. L. E. Brown.....	9 75
Dwight, by Rev. A. J. Pike.....	5 00
Fargo, Plymouth, special coll., \$14.27; Sanborn, \$3.60, by Rev. E. H. Stickney.....	17 57
Fort Abercrombie and Dexter, by Rev. W. Edwards.....	1 50
Melville, by Rev. J. J. Davy.....	7 50
Sykeston, Ontario, and Oberon, by Rev. W. Griffin.....	5 30
Valley City, by Rev. H. C. Simmons....	2 00

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$355.15.

Received by Rev. D. R. Tomlin:	
Carthage.....	\$11 00
Meckling.....	4 23
Redfield, Mrs. A. H. Clark.....	15 00
Vermillion.....	17 46

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Treas.:	
Bowdle.....	\$6 00
Deadwood.....	3 60
Firesteel.....	3 15
Henry.....	12 09
Highmore, "King's Daughters".....	15 66
Huron.....	5 77
Lake Preston.....	5 00
Sioux Falls, Lamplighters.....	7 70
Spring Lake.....	2 30
Vermillion.....	6 00
Yankton.....	6 10
Donation.....	25

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Aberdeen, by Rev. S. G. Updyke.....	10 00
Alpena, by Rev. E. Grieb.....	2 50
Armour, by Rev. H. Wilson.....	10 00
Aurora, by Rev. L. P. Sabiu.....	10 00
Buffalo Gap, by Rev. E. E. Frame.....	3 35
Canova, \$1.32; Spring Farm, \$1.83; Revillo, \$1.69, by Rev. C. M. Daley.....	4 84
Chamberlain, by Rev. W. B. Hubbard.....	12 00
Custer, by Rev. J. V. Willis.....	12 07
Deadwood, First, by W. Sebie.....	23 00
Mrs. W. Sebie, for the Debt.....	25 60
Faulton, by Rev. J. Stevens.....	30 00
Firesteel, Bethel, and Lisbon, by Rev. E. D. Mints.....	11 66
Frankfort and Turton, by Rev. J. Trueblood.....	1 26

Glenview, by Rev. M. Doty.....	\$1 75
Howard, Winfred, and Freedom, by Rev. G. W. Shaw.....	10 00
Ipswich, by Rev. R. V. Griffith.....	2 25
Myron, Ch., \$3.30; Rev. P. B. Fisk, \$2, by Rev. P. B. Fisk.....	5 30
Pierre, by Rev. J. Oakey.....	22 01
Powell, by Rev. J. T. Lewis.....	1 10
Ree Heights and Greenleaf, by Rev. B. Iorns.....	5 40
Valley Springs, \$7.05; Martin, \$2.50, by Rev. W. H. Watson.....	9 85
Vermillion, First, by H. J. Smith.....	20 10
Yankton, Y. P. S. C. E. of First Ch., by H. W. Jamison.....	3 00

COLORADO—\$796.82.

Received by Rev. C. M. Sanders:

Boulder, to const. Rev. Charles Caverno a L. M.....	\$40 00
Denver, First, add'l.....	25 00
Rico, Y. P. S. C. E.....	25 00
Interburg.....	4 10
Platteville.....	4 61
Steamboat Springs.....	2 00
West Denver.....	36 10
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas.....	100 00

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Buena Vista, by Rev. T. R. Earl.....	8 50
Coal Creek, Union Cong. Ch., by D. R. Jenkins.....	11 45
Crested Butte, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. E. Martin.....	6 25
Denver, Glenarm, Y. P. S. C. E., \$25; Rico, \$14, by Rev. S. C. Dickinson.....	39 00
South Broadway Ch., by Rev. R. B. Wright.....	33 75
Eaton, First, by Rev. J. Stanton.....	18 71
Highland, Boulevard Ch., by G. H. Harvey.....	20 00
Montrose, by Rev. A. L. Chase.....	22 20
Pueblo, by Rev. J. S. Voorhees.....	55 00
Silverton, First, by F. J. Moltur.....	31 80
Telluride, First, by Rev. J. H. Reid.....	36 35
Trinidad, by Rev. J. H. Heald.....	8 00
Villa Park, by Rev. L. F. John.....	7 60
White Water, Kanab Creek, and Frunta, by Rev. E. Southworth.....	2 00

WYOMING—\$42.40.

Big Horn, by Rev. S. J. Jennings.....	5 00
Cheyenne, First, by Rev. C. M. Sanders.....	15 45
By Rev. P. R. Crowell.....	10 00
Douglas, by Rev. G. J. Powell.....	1 65
Rock Springs, by Rev. S. W. Hawkes.....	7 90

MONTANA—\$95.17.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. S. A. Wallace, Treas.....	10 00
Butte, Plymouth Ch., by T. T. Baker..	6 15
Great Falls, by Rev. W. S. Bell.....	13 25
Helena, First Cong. S. S., by T. E. Goodwin.....	3 77
Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. W. S. Bell....	2 00
A Friend.....	10 00
Livingston, \$45; Y. P. S. C. E., \$5, by Rev. W. C. Fowler.....	50 00

UTAH—\$56.91.

Ogden, by Rev. A. J. Bailey.....	35 41
Salt Lake City, First, by Rev. J. B. Thrall.....	21 50

IDAHO—\$28.95.

Boise City, by Rev. G. W. Rose.....	6 70
Pocatello, by Rev. C. W. Luck.....	22 25

CALIFORNIA—\$6,660.93.

Received by Rev. J. H. Warren,
D.D.:

Corralitos	\$3 60
Fall River Valley	1 00
Lodi	20 00
Marysville	2 45
Niles	10 00
San Francisco, Sweden	5 00
Mrs. E. B. Ames	2 03
\$44 05	

Received by J. S. Hutchinson, Treas. 3,740 60

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. M. Haven, Treas., to const.	
Mrs. Selma F. Sites and Mrs. J. M. Johnson L. Ms.	
Alameda, Mrs. M. P. Hoppin	\$10 00
Belmont, Mrs. E. L. Reed	10 00
Cottonwood	20 80
Lodi	15 00
Martinez, Mrs. Mary Hale	10 00
Murphy's	5 00
Oakland, First	189 35
Plymouth Avenue	34 20
Golden Gate	36 50
Mrs. G. H. Gray	25 00
Mrs. I. M. Johnson	50 00
Pacific Grove	8 00
San Francisco, Third	25 00
Bethany	10 00
Mrs. E. A. Warren	2 00
Soquel	13 00
Willing Workers, Mite Boxes	3 00
\$467 15	

Received by Rev. J. T. Ford:

Highlands	\$9 10
Long Beach	23 60
Los Angeles, First	494 00
East Ch.	85 00
Park Ch.	4 15
South Ch.	5 20
Monrovia	2 50
Pasadena, First	226 80
Perris	2 75
Pomona, Pilgrim Ch.	225 00
Poway, by Rev. H. C. Abernethy	5 00
San Buenaventura, Y. P. S. C.	
E	2 50
Saticoy, A Friend	2 00
Ventura, W. R. H. Weldon	25 00
Villa Park, Mrs. T. Kent	5 00
Westminster	12 00
A Friend	100 00
\$1,229 60	

Woman's H. M. Union, Southern Cal., Mrs. H. W. Mills, Treas.	
Los Angeles, W. M. Soc. of First Ch., special, to const.	
Miss M. N. Hathaway a L. M.	\$60 00
1,289 60	

Woman's H. M. Union, Southern

Cal., Mrs. H. W. Mills, Treas.	
Compton	\$6 50
Highlands	7 00
The Willing Workers	3 95
Los Angeles, First	35 25
West End	5 50
Y. P. S. C. E.	5 00
Third	2 00
Young Ladies' Soc. of the First	11 50
Third	20 00
Ontario	5 40
Pasadena, First	47 00
North	3 75
Woman's Miss. Soc. of First Ch.	\$3 00

Pomona, S. S. of Pilgrim Ch.	6 70
Poway	5 00
Riverside, to const. Mrs. M. Hendry and Miss Mary A. Cah L. Ms.	114 00
San Bernardino	5 00
San Jacinto, to const. Mrs. W. N. Burr a L. M.	64 20
Santa Barbara	60 00
Sierra Madre	2 25
Vernondale	24 50
\$442 80	

Auburn, by Rev. R. M. Tunnell	\$35 00
Belmont, Mrs. E. L. Reed	15 00
Black Diamond, by Rev. D. Wirt	5 00
Buena Park, by Rev. J. H. Harwood, D. D.	15 00
Clayton, by Rev. E. D. Hale	39 25
Compton, by Rev. E. H. Bickford	19 72
Cottonwood, by Rev. J. A. Jones	2 50
Crockett, by Rev. L. N. Barber	3 00
Encinitas, by Rev. J. A. Rogers	10 00
Escondido, by Rev. C. B. Carlisle	16 00
Los Angeles, Olivet Ch., by Rev. F. A. Field	2 15
West End Ch., \$1.50; S. S., \$1.1, by Rev. E. Cash	18 50
By Rev. J. H. Collins	70 00
Los Guilicos, by Rev. I. F. Tobey	18 50
Monrovia, by Rev. O. D. Crawford	21 50
Napa, by Rev. L. M. Schofield	8 00
Oakland, by Rev. J. H. J. Rice	33 00
Oceanside and Carlsbad, by Rev. T. W. Spanswick	5 25
Olivet District, by Rev. L. Wallace	5 00
Pasadena, by Rev. H. T. Staats	12 25
Perris, by Rev. C. H. Davis	37 75
Raymond, Rev. T. T. Frickstad	2 00
Riverside, by T. C. Hunt, of which from Elizabeth Johnson, \$10.	143 35
San Andreas and Immanuel, by Rev. J. D. Foster	5 00
San Bernardino, First, by I. H. Stoughton	44 75
Bethel Ch., by Rev. E. R. Brainerd	5 50
San Diego, First, by J. H. Smith	129 01
Second, by Rev. G. S. Hall	22 25
Second, by C. H. Roberts	5 00
San Miguel, by Rev. E. B. Tuthill	20 00
Santa Barbara, by C. P. Low	150 00
Santa Monica, by Rev. G. P. Kimball	49 75
Sierra Madre, by Rev. E. E. P. Abbott	56 30
Soquel, by Rev. A. B. Palmer	35 00
South Riverside, by Rev. J. S. Jewell	37 55
Spring Valley and Jamel, by Rev. M. H. Wallace	7 55
Tipton, by Rev. J. A. Thomas	8 00
Vernondale, by Rev. G. A. Rawson	30 50

OREGON—\$155.61.

Received by Rev. C. F. Clapp:
McMinnville, J. L. Stratton

20 00

Received by F. McKercher, Treas.:

Forest Grove	12 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, Treas.	
Of which from Hood River, \$5;	
Oregon City, Mrs. H. M. Whitlock, for H. M. work in Oregon,	
\$40.	50 00

Beaverton and Finney, by Rev. J. W.

Eldredge	15 56
Eugene City, by Rev. H. L. Bates	16 40
Portland, by Rev. C. T. Whittlesey	36 65
Scappoose, by Rev. W. C. Wise	5 00

WASHINGTON—\$786.19.

Received by Rev. R. A. Beard:	
East Tacoma, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$3 91
Spokane Falls, Ch., \$41.70; Y.	
P. S. C. E., \$6.05; Birthday-	
box coll., \$6.25.....	54 00
Tacoma, First.....	53 44
	<hr/> \$111 35

Received by Rev. T. W. Walters:	
Cheney.....	\$3 10
Endicott.....	9 23
Medical Lake.....	17 61
Ritzville.....	7 30
Springdale.....	3 51
	<hr/> 40 75

Almira and Conlee City, by Rev. J. Howell.....	27 00
Atahnam, by Rev. F. McConaughy.....	56 00
Black Diamond, by Rev. R. A. Beard.....	14 50
Blaine, by Rev. S. Dailey.....	50 00
Christopher, by Rev. R. Busbell.....	18 00
Colfax, by Rev. H. P. James.....	46 75
Colville, Chewelah, and Springdale, by Rev. J. B. Clark.....	2 50
Fairhaven, by Rev. J. C. Wright.....	13 00
Houghton, by Rev. W. F. Rose.....	22 15
Lake Park, by Rev. W. H. Atkinson.....	2 60
Newcastle, \$2.05; Forest Grove, \$2.45; Paradise Valley, \$2.50, by Rev. W. E. Young.....	7 00
North Yakima, by Rev. S. H. Cheadle.....	35 00
Olympia, by Rev. C. L. Diven.....	30 00
Pataha City, by Rev. J. T. Nichols.....	10 00
Pleasant Prairie, Trent, and Half Moon, by Rev. J. B. Renshaw.....	12 70
Seattle, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. G. A. Tewksbury.....	253 30
Spokane Falls, by Rev. F. V. Hoyt.....	30 82
Tacoma, by Rev. L. P. Paulson.....	10 00
West Ferndale and Enterprise, by Rev. J. W. Wells.....	9 27
Whatcom, by Rev. J. V. Dimon.....	3 50
Pataha City, \$83. [Erroneously acknowledged under Utah in April issue.]	

HOME MISSIONARY..... 330 29

Expended during the year by the Auxiliaries named.....	\$174,180 90
Received at this office, in March, 1891.....	\$96,382 67

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Auburn, Me., Ladies' Soc. of High St. Ch., by Mrs. F. M. Skinner, barrel and freight.....	\$50 00
Baltimore, Md., Ladies' Home Miss. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. M. M. Brown, box	31 00
Bridgeport, Ct., North Ch., by Harriet S. Palmer, barrel and box.....	205 00
S. S. of North Ch., Communion set.....	42 00
Bristol, Ct., Ladies' Home Miss. Soc., by Mrs. N. L. Brewster, barrel.....	60 74
Bristol and Paris, Wis., Ladies' Home Miss. Soc., by Clara P. Bishop, barrel.....	44 85
Brooklyn, N. Y., Ladies' Benev. Assoc. of Central Ch., by Mrs. J. H. Goldey, two barrels.....	197 84
Burlington, Vt., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. J. E. Peck, barrel and box.....	100 00
Cabot, Vt., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Nancy K. Stone, barrel and cash.....	36 20
Globe Village, Mass., Rev. Silvanus Hayward, package books.....	
Hartford, Ct., Asylum Hill Ch., by Mary C. Bacon, box.....	225 52
Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. H.	

Pitkin, box, barrel, and half-barrel..	\$218 09
Ladies' Home Miss. Soc. of Pearl St. Ch., by Cora M. Wesley, two barrels.	190 83
Ladies' Soc., by Miss A. A. Wells, two boxes.....	393 34
Keene, N. H., W. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Stella M. Towne, two barrels and freight.....	82 50
Middletown, Ct., Ladies' Home Miss. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. R. Crittenden, box.....	90 0
New Britain, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of South Ch., by Mary E. Bingham, barrel and cash.....	157 28
New Haven, Ct., Ladies' Aid Soc. of United Ch., by Caroline M. Pease, box	256 15
Newport, R. I., Benev. Soc. of United Ch., by Eliza R. Hammett, two boxes.	113 50
New York City, Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Broadway Tabernacle Ch., by Mrs. M. E. Houghton, eleven boxes.....	2,481 15
State Charities Aid Assoc., two packages.	
Mrs. John T. Miller, package magazines.	
Norwich, Ct., Ladies' Home Miss. Soc. of Broadway Ch., by Mrs. John Willard, barrel.....	36 00
Portland, Me., Ladies' Circle of High St. Ch., by Mrs. M. E. Bolster, box and freight.....	116 90
Miss. Circle of State St. Ch., by Mrs. Wm. W. Brown, box and freight.....	113 02
Providence, R. I., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Union Ch., by Mrs. Wm. Knight, box..	130 00
Reading, Mass., box hymn-books.....	
San Francisco, Cal., First Ch., box.....	75 00
Washington, D. C., Mary H. Copp, three barrels and freight.....	264 48
West Chester, N. Y., Wm. Abbott, package.	

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from Jan. 1, to Feb. 28, 1891. JOHN L. CROSBY, Treas.

Andover, by Rev. F. V. Norcross.....	\$9 00
Bangor, First, by W. P. Hubbard.....	46 00
Hammond St., by Geo. Webster.....	6 75
For A. H. M. S.....	13 57
Mrs. Flora L. Haines, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	1 00
Bath, Central, by F. S. Partridge.....	49 50
Brewer, First, from Mrs. Catharine Hardy, to const. Cyrus A. Washburn A.	
L. M.....	20 00
From G. A. Snow.....	16 00
Y. P. S. C. E., for county work, by Rev. B. B. Merrill.....	10 00
Brunswick, First, by R. H. Stanwood....	73 93
Bucksport, Mrs. Sewall B. Swazey.....	25 00
Y. P. S. C. E., for S. S. at Greenbush....	6 10
Calais, First Cong., by A. L. Clapp.....	30 00
Deer Isle, First, by Rev. J. S. Richards..	5 00
Dennysville, Cong., by Edwin R. Gardner.....	17 96
Edgecomb, for A. H. M. S., by Rev. C. G. Holyoke.....	17 77
Ellsworth, for county work, by Rev. C. F. W. Hubbard.....	14 00
Falmouth, First, by D. W. Lunt.....	5 00
Freedom, by Rev. Lewis Ellms.....	20 00
Garland, Friends, for A. H. M. S., by Rev. P. B. Thayer.....	10 00
Hampden, First, by Mrs. Kate R. Whitmore.....	4 00
Jonesport, S. S., by D. J. Sawyer, Esq....	14 00
D. J. Sawyer, Esq.....	36 00
Litchfield Corner, by David T. Smith....	10 00
Limerick, Rev. T. S. Perry.....	5 00

New Sharon.....	\$2 65	Orwell.....	\$12 03
North Yarmouth, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 50	Plymouth Notch.....	50
Orland, Misses S. E. and H. T. Buck.....	20 00	Randolph, West, Income from W. H. H. Thayer Legacy, B. T. Lombard, Trustee.....	6 00
Orono, for A. H. M. S., add'l, by Rev. P. J. Robinson.....	25 00	Rutland Center, Swedish Ch.....	2 00
Portland, State St., by W. S. Corey.....	300 00	Rutland, S. S., for evangelistic work.....	25 00
High St., W. H. Shaylor.....	29 63	Rupert, A Friend.....	25 00
S. S., for Outer Long Island Chapel.....	10 00	Shoreham, for A. H. M. S.....	12 25
Portland, Second Parish, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., by C. A. Dunlap.....	10 00	South Hero and Grand Isle.....	14 80
Red Beach, Branch, by Rev. S. L. Bowler.....	5 00	St. Johnsbury, South Ch.....	49 94
Saco, First, by J. W. Littlefield.....	15 87	Troy, North, Two boys, age three and five, for Lady Evangelists.....	1 39
Sanford, First, by C. A. Emery.....	5 00	Underhill, for A. H. M. S.....	7 14
South Brewer, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss Arletta A. Doak.....	3 00	Waterford, Lower.....	2 00
Southwest Harbor, Tremont Ch., by Rev. Thos. S. Lewis.....	13 08	Waterville, Union Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-offering.....	2 37
Vassalboro, Adams Memorial Ch., by Rev. J. E. Aiken.....	1 00	Westfield.....	8 01
Waterford, First, by Joel S. Plummer.....	6 50	Westminster, From mite-boxes.....	7 00
Wells, Barak Maxwell, Esq.....	20 00	Y. P. S. C. E.....	4 00
First, by Rev. James Lade, for A. H. M. S.....	40 00	Whiting.....	8 00
Westbrook, Second, Saccarappa, by H. P. Murch.....	44 36	Windham.....	26 35
Westboro, Mass., Lyman School, Emma F. Newton.....	5 00	Winooski, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 20
West Kennebunk, Mr. Jacob Smith.....	5 00	Bank Fund.....	2 00
Yarmouth, special.....	17 00	Dividend, Connecticut and Passumpsic River Railroad.....	55 00
Woman's Maine Missionary Aux.....	87 65	VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	92 70
Fryeburg, Mrs. S. B. Buzzell, Legacy, by E. E. Hastings, Esq.....	30 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:.....	
Biddeford, Miss Marcia J. L. Fogg, Legacy, by W. S. Denuett, Esq., Ex.....	4,000 00	Bellows Falls, Ladies' Union.....	\$5 00
Yarmouth, Mrs. Deborah J. Kyle, Legacy, in part, by B. Freeman, Esq., Ex.....	150 00	Queechee, W. H. M. S.....	10 00
Income on invested funds.....	1,413 50		15 00
	\$6,986 30		\$964 97

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from January 20 to February 20, 1891.
T. M. HOWARD Treas.

Bakersfield, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$4 54
Bellows Falls, Y. P. S. C. E., for Lady Evangelists.....	4 02
Bennington, Second.....	46 08
North Ch., for A. H. M. S.....	27 83
Brandon.....	12 35
Brattleboro, West, A Friend, for Lady Evangelists.....	20 00
Y. P. S. C. E., Anniversary coll., for Lady Evangelists.....	7 20
Bridgewater.....	9 00
Brookfield, Second.....	17 00
Burlington, First.....	161 10
In Memoriam.....	1 00
Charlotte.....	16 00
Craftsbury, North, special.....	23 00
Colchester.....	14 10
Dummerston.....	12 50
Island Pond.....	21 00
Jericho Center, First, and S. S.....	12 03
Johnson, A Friend, for Lady Evangelists.....	1 00
Lamoille County, A Friend.....	100 00
Lowell.....	16 21
Ludlow, Y. P. S. C. E., To help pay debt of A. H. M. S.....	8 00
Lunenburg, special.....	10 00
Newbury, First, to const. Mrs. Maria Gale a L. M.....	31 30
West.....	2 00
South, A Friend, for A. H. M. S.....	2 00
A Friend.....	3 00
Newport.....	11 43
Northfield.....	16 60
Orange.....	12 00

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in March. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treas.

Abington, North, by Rev. W. F. Livingstone.....	\$13 00
Acton, by Rev. Geo. W. Stearns, add'l....	1 00
Amherst, Second, by H. Sabin.....	17 00
North, by S. E. Harrington.....	5 00
South, by Rev. H. N. Boyd.....	18 50
Arlington, Estate of Henry Mott, by W. H. H. Tuttle, Adm.....	968 61
Ashburnham, First, by M. M. Stowe, to const. Rev. L. M. Keniston a L. M.....	30 10
Y. P. S. C. E., by M. M. Stowe.....	2 9
Ashland, by Edwin Perry, for A. H. M. S. Athol Center, Y. P. S. C. E., by Hattie M. Gage, Thank-offering.....	30 00
Attleboro, Second, by Chas. E. Bliss, to const. Ernest D. Gilmore, Herman T. Regnell, and Edwin I. Bullock L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	150 00
Baldwin, La., Mrs. F. D. Blood, for A. H. M. S.....	2 00
Bank Balance, Interest on.....	18 76
Berkley, by Rev. J. E. M. Wright.....	22 29
Boston, A Friend, "C.".....	3 00
A Friend, "W.".....	100 00
Berkeley Temple, by Benj. F. Dewing.....	114 00
Boylston, by F. J. Leighton.....	42 00
H. M., for special need in So. Dakota.....	50 00
Jam. Plain, Central, by A. Loring.....	269 08
Mt. Vernon, Miss Mary Kendall.....	5 00
Miss S. S. Pratt.....	10 00
Old South, by R. H. Stearns.....	250 00
Ladies, by Mrs. M. E. Wheelock, special for Michigan Home Missionary..	18 00
Park St., by E. F. Brackett.....	108 00
Boxboro, by A. W. Wetherbee, Taft Thank-offering.....	11 00
Bridgewater, A Friend, by Prof. A. G. Boyden, for A. H. M. S.....	25 00
Brockton, Porter Evan., by Geo. C. Cary,	

to const. Rev. Geo. P. Eastman. M. Clark Lane, Ellery C. Cahoon, Clarence M. Baker, Magnus Williamson, and Geo. M. Copeland L. Ms.	\$208 87	Malden, A Friend.	\$2 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by Geo. C. Cary. with other gifts, to const. Heman How- ard a L. M.	15 20	Linden, Union, by J. C. Hough.	12 10
Brookline, Harvard, by H. B. Eager.	157 09	Maplewood, S. S., by E. B. Reed.	5 10
Cambridgeport, Prospect St., by Thos. H. Fuller, for A. H. M. S. relief.	5 81	Marblehead, First, by N. P. Sanborn, to const. Miss Cora L. Mitchell and Mrs. Winnie Winslow L. Ms.	79 00
Pilgrim, by N. H. Holbrook.	45 04	Medfield, Second, by F. S. Wight.	84 23
Cape Elizabeth, Me., Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Vail, for A. H. M. S.	5 00	Medford, West, by J. H. Gerrish.	29 16
Chelsea, Third, add'l.	2 00	Medway, West, Second, L. M. Soc., by Mrs. C. F. Kelsey, with previous gifts, to const. Mrs. William Carr a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	20 36
Cohasset, Beechwood, by Rev. N. M. Bailey.	5 25	Ministering Circle, by Miss Mabel Fales, for Rev. J. Homer Parker, Kingfisher, Ok.	5 00
Concord, Third, by Edward C. Damon.	23 68	S. S., by C. F. Kelsey.	14 25
Trin., by Thomas Todd, toward Conf. recog. of Gen. Missy Taft's work.	18 54	Melrose, A Friend, "S. S."	2 00
Danvers, First, Christian Endeavor Soci- ety, by Rev. C. B. Rice.	5 00	Highlands, Y. P. S. C. E., by Fred Smith, Fifth Anniv. offering.	30 00
Maple St., Pastor's Bible-class, by Rev. E. C. Ewing, for A. H. M. S. relief.	10 00	Middleboro, Central, by E. O. Parker.	145 76
Deerfield, Orth., A Friend, to const. Dea. Almon C. Williams a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	50 00	North, A Friend.	5 00
Dennis, South, by Elien H. Underwood.	10 00	Milton, East, by Frank Kemp.	14 45
Lighton, First, by Geo. E. Gooding.	25 00	Monson, East Hill, S. S., by E. M. Walker Monterey, by Dea. Jonathan Townsend, for A. H. M. S.	13 22
Enfield, by L. D. Potter.	50 00	Nantucket, First, by Mrs. C. H. Rule.	1 25
Fairhaven, M. P.	4 00	Natick, Miss M. A. Stevens, by C. W. Bennett.	5 00
Fall River, Central, by R. B. Borden, of which \$29.50 Mon. Con. coll., and \$30 from Y. P. S. C. E.	347 84	Newbury, First, Mon. Con. coll.	11 00
Falmouth, North, A Friend.	5 09	Newburyport, Prospect St., by Chas. A. Bliss, for A. H. M. S.	75 00
Franklin, First, by Chas. Gowen, to const., with previous gifts, Dea Robert A. Stewart a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	47 50	Needham, by W. F. Saow.	16 45
Georgetown, First, by Mrs. George W. Noyes.	52 10	By Rev. J. F. Gleason.	2 65
Memorial, by L. P. Palmer.	216 00	New Marlboro, by Rev. A. W. Field.	3 75
Sunday-school, by L. P. Palmer, to const. Mrs. Mary R. Giles a L. M.	30 00	Newtonville, Central, of which \$15.60 to Centerville, Mass., Cong. Ch.	343 44
Gloucester, Lanesville, by Rev. F. H. Reed.	22 25	Newton, West, Second, by J. J. Eddy.	423 15
Granby, by F. A. Holden, with previous gifts, to const. John Tilley a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	35 00	North Andover, Geo. G. Chadwick.	3 00
Groveland, by E. M. Stacy.	17 36	Northboro, Evan., by Miss A. M. Small, for A. H. M. S.	56 00
Hampden Benev. Assoc., by Chas. Marsh, Treas.		Northbridge, First, by J. W. Morse.	25 00
Agawam, S. S.	25 00	North Brookfield, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. C. Duncan, for A. H. M. S.	5 75
Chester, Second.	8 62	Union, by Hiram Knight, w. p. g. to const. Daniel Burton Gilbert a L. M.	6 25
Chicopee, Second.	44 36	"Sunbeams," by Hiram Knight.	2 75
Holyoke, First.	24 70	Norwood, First, by Edson D. Smith.	27 50
South Hadley Falls.	35 05	Palmer, Three Rivers, by Rev. W. G. Puddefoot.	95 00
Springfield, Eastern Avenue.	18 03	Peabody, Second, West Branch, by Rev. I. Ainsworth.	1 55
Memorial.	33 48	South, by Benj. N. Moore.	27 00
Westfield, First.	3 96	Phillipston, by Mrs. Henry Wright.	42 52
West Springfield, First.	126 00	Pittsfield, First, S. S., by A. A. Mills.	25 92
Mittineague.	41 22	Plainfield, by Rev. John A. Woodhull.	16 54
Park St.	55 51	Plymouth, Fifth, by Mrs. Albert Ray- mond.	10 00
	415 93	Preamble, special.	5 00
Haverhill, Fourth, by Rev. Geo. L. Glea- son.	13 65	Prescott, First, by R. H. Allen.	13 55
Riverside, by Rev. Geo. L. Gleason.	25 00	Quincy, by J. S. Baxter.	156 00
Hawley, First, by Rev. Solomon Bixby. Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. Solomon Bixby. Holliston, by T. E. Andrews.	11 20 2 00 88 95	Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson.	25 00
Hyde Park, Clarendon, by J. Halden, Jr. First, by F. D. Freeman.	8 20 35 00	King's Daughters, by S. G. B. Pearson Special, by S. G. B. Pearson.	5 00 17 00
Ipswich, Linebrook, by J. H. Tenney.	12 00	Reed, Dwight, Fund, income of.	100 00
South, by Rev. T. F. Waters.	60 00	Revere, First, by Geo. A. Dalrymple.	62 25
Lawrence, Lawrence St., by Rev. W. E. Wolcott, special, for Rev. J. E. Para- dis, for French work, Lowell.	40 00 10 00	Rockland, Y. P. S. C. E., by Emma W. Gleason.	5 00
Parsons, S. C.	93 60	Rowley, A Friend.	2 00
Leominster, by A. O. Wilder.		Salem, Tabernacle, by Jos. H. Phippen.	113 35
Littleton, by J. H. Houghton, of which \$50 from "A Friend," to const. Mrs. Abbie J. Johnson a L. M. of A. H. M. S. Lowell, Eliot, by James Howard, to const. Miss Sarah J. Gilman a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	77 00 50 00	Sandwich, Calvinistic, by H. H. Heald.	75 00
		Shrewsbury, by H. Harlow.	15 00
		Somerville, Broadway, by R. O. Gage.	115 00
		Southbridge, Mrs. M. F. Leonard, for A. H. M. S. relief.	500 00
		Globe Village, Evan., Free, Y. P. S. C. E., by Maud Oldham, for A. H. M. S.	10 00
		South Hadley Falls, John Gaylord, for A. H. M. S. relief.	20 00
		Sterling, by Rev. John E. Dodge, to const. Mrs. Fred W. Burpee and Miss Louise F. Davis L. Ms.	62 25
		Stoneham, by Silas Dean.	56 00
		Sturbridge, by Melvin Haynes.	43 75
		Sudbury, North, J. C. Dakin.	45 00

South, Memorial, by B. F. Howe.....	\$23 80	Canterbury, First, one-sixth income from	
Sutton, by C. E. Hutchinson.....	14 12	Estate of Emblem L. Williams, by L. B.	
Tisbury, West, First, by U. E. Mayhew..	4 64	Morgan, Trustee.....	\$50 63
Tyngsboro, Y. P. S. C. E., by Geo. Mer-		Coventry, South, by J. S. Morgan, \$31.20;	
rill, for Rev. H. J. Colwell, Wyocena,		for A. H. M. S., \$31.20.....	62 40
Wis.....	10 00	Derby, Birmingham, J. Tomlinson, per-	
Walpole, Mrs. Chloe F. Metcalf, 94 years		sonal.....	10 00
old (Ps. 92: 14).....	1 00	East Haven, by Lottie E. Street.....	18 50
Orth., by S. E. Bentley and another.....	85 37	Easton, by Rev. David J. Ogden.....	18 00
S. S., by Myron H. Piper, for A. H.		East Windsor, Broad Brook, by S. B.	
M. S. debt.....	34 19	Adams.....	24 65
Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Wm. Carr, of		Glastonbury, First, by E. H. Andrews,	
W. Medway, special, for Rev. J. H.		add'l, \$6; to constitute the following L.	
Parker, Kingfisher, Ok.....	6 50	Mrs.: Ezra N. Seelye, Charles A. Rhodes,	
Ware, East, by Wm. S. Hyde, of which		Herman Roser, Charles E. Buckland,	
\$100 from E. H. Baker for L. M., in		Alfred Arnold, Irvine H. Strickland,	
A. H. M. S. of Ruth S. and Clara P.		William E. Gates, Mary J. Stokes, Min-	
Baker and nine others to be named....	545 73	nie E. Brown, Lucey E. Rockwell, Alice	
First, by W. L. Brakeuridge.....	36 25	M. Talcott, Harriet A. Turner, Ida A.	
Wayland, Evan., by Edward Carter.....	12 75	Turner, Adelaide Dean, all of Glaston-	
Wenham, by Henry L. Eaton.....	15 35	bury, Conn., and William Paulman,	
Westford, Union, by Daniel Atwood.....	28 00	John Nobles, both of Addison, Conn....	926 49
Y. P. S. C. E., by Daniel Atwood.....	7 00	Buckingham, by T. D. Goslee.....	2 00
West Newbury, David L. Goodrich, for		South Glastonbury, Ch. and S. S., by H.	
A. H. M. S.....	10 00	D. Hale.....	4 13
Westhampton, by A. D. Montague.....	31 57	Greenwich, North, by B. Close.....	6 83
Weymouth, North, First, by E. Hum-		Haddam, Higganum, by R. J. Gladwin....	14 00
phrey.....	65 21	Hamden, Whitneyville, by James M.	
South, Second, by Rev. H. C. Alvord..	40 00	Payne.....	21 00
Union, by Walter L. Bates, L. M. to		Hartford, Second, by H. E. Harrington..	10 00
be named.....	50 00	Asylum Hill, A Friend, \$8; Rev. Wm.	
Whately, by Rev. Geo. L. Dickinson, w.		H. Moore, personal, to const. Rev. L.	
p. g., to const. Miss Bertha Root a L.		W. A. Bjorkman, of Hartford, a L. M.,	
M. of A. H. M. S.....	42 00	\$50.....	56 00
Whitman, of which \$75 from Miss C.		Lisbon, by Rev. Q. M. Bosworth, together	
Whitman, by W. R. Vining.....	105 00	with contribution of \$88, May 29, '89,	
Winchester, First, by Eugene Tappan,		to const. Rev. Q. M. Bosworth, a L. M.	12 00
for work among foreign population....	120 00	Litchfield, Milton, by Rev. George J.	
Worcester, First (Old South), by Geo.		Harrison.....	15 00
M. Pierce, to const. Rev. A. Z. Conrad		Madison, North, by Rev. Wm. E. B.	
a L. M.....	64 00	Moore.....	25 00
	\$9,153 22	Middlebury, by Rev. W. F. Avery.....	10 00
HOME MISSIONARY.....	6 00	Middletown, First, by L. F. Denio, for A.	
	\$9,159 22	H. M. S.....	73 07
		Norwich, Broadway, by S. B. Bishop....	200 10
		Oxford, by R. B. Limburner, \$33; for A.	
		H. M. S., \$32.....	65 00
		Plainfield, Central Village, by M. S.	
		Nichols.....	13 89
		Putnam, Second, by H. N. Fenn.....	7 83
		Redding, Georgetown, by Charles A. Jen-	
		nings.....	13 07
		Ridgefield, First, by John F. Holmes....	6 41
		Somers, by E. C. Chapman, to const. Mrs.	
		Elizabeth O. Pease and Miss Fanny	
		Hunt, both of Somers, L. Ms.....	115 09
		Stafford, Staffordville, Y. P. S. C. E., by	
		Mrs. Emeline S. Eldredge.....	6 00
		Stratford, by Rev. Joel S. Ives, \$23; by	
		"W. J. P.," personal, for A. H. M. S.,	
		\$5.....	28 00
		Thompson, by Dea. Marcus F. Towne,	
		\$20; for A. H. M. S., \$41.83; Y. P. S. C.	
		E., for A. H. M. S., \$4.....	65 83
		Trumbull, by Rev. W. F. White.....	20 00
		Voluntown and Sterling, by Rev. John	
		Elderkin.....	13 51
		Warren, by Tallmadge Swift, to const.	
		Mrs. Mary E. Angevine a L. M.....	50 31
		Westbrook, S. S., by A. A. Wilcox.....	13 00
		Winchester, West Winsted, by John	
		Hinsdale.....	195 81
		Woodbury, North, by L. E. Dawson, Clerk	24 42
			\$2,276 56

*Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported
at the rooms of the Mass. Home Miss. Society
in March.*

Dalton, Ladies' Sewing Soc., by Mrs. J.	
B. Crane, one and one half barrels....	\$162 00
Merrimac, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs.	
J. W. Logan, barrel and freight.....	56 90
Northbridge, Whitinsville, Ladies' Bene-	
nev. Soc., by Miss L. S. Whitin, box	
and freight.....	200 25
Rowley, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by N. F.	
Jackson, barrel and freight.....	44 25
Sheffield, Ashley Falls, H. M. Circle, by	
Mrs. Mary Ives Clark, three packages	
and express.....	16 06
Wellesley Hills, Ladies, by Mrs. W. H.	
Vaughn, barrel and freight.....	36 21
Winchendon, Ladies, by Mrs. C. C. Par-	
ker, package and expressage.....	26 00
	\$541 67

Also valuable packages from unnamed
friends in Boston, Lowell, and Belmont.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

*Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecti-
cut in March, 1891. W. W. JACOBS, Treas.*

Ashford, by Rev. C. M. Jones.....	\$7 64
Berlin, Second, special, by H. N. Galpin..	26 00
Brooklyn, by M. W. Crosby, \$23; for A.	
H. M. S., \$60, to const. Walter P. Webb,	
of Brooklyn, a L. M.....	\$5 00

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society
in February, 1891. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.*

Adams, Newton, Ch.....	\$2 00
Alton, Church of the Redeemer.....	5 00

Lakeside, North.....	\$2 50
Le Mars.....	53 73
Long Creek, Welsh.....	10 00
Luzerne, Bohemian.....	20 00
Manson.....	21 55
Minden.....	8 36
Nevinville, Bohemian.....	2 50
Newell.....	10 30
New Hampton, German.....	7 00
Ochevedan.....	9 00
Orchard, Thank-offering.....	7 50
Ottumwa, Swede.....	10 00
Parkersburg.....	18 00
Postville.....	500 00
Riceville.....	21 00
Rockford.....	38 98
Shelby.....	8 66
South Grant, Thank-offering.....	25 00
Stacyville.....	13 00
Tabor.....	11 63
Toledo, Thank-offering.....	75 01
Washita.....	2 00
Waterloo.....	50 16
Webster.....	20 00
West Burlington.....	2 00

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Cedar Falls.....	24 50
Eldora, " Birthday-offering".....	32 45
Exira.....	1 86
Hawarden.....	3 36
Lyons, First.....	1 79

Y. P. S. C. E.

Anita.....	5 00
Burlington, for Bohemians.....	1 17
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	4 40
Ionia.....	7 61
Mites, Junior.....	3 00
Waterloo.....	7 32

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J.

Nicholson, Treas.:.....	
Berwick, Mite Society.....	\$5 00
Cedar Falls, W. M. S.....	8 07
Cherokee, W. H. M. U.....	5 90
Corning, Bright Beams.....	5 00
Pilgrim, W. M. S.....	5 00
Creston, First, W. M. U.....	8 00
Cromwell, W. H. M. U.....	11 20
Decorah, S. S.....	9 49
Des Moines, North Park.....	5 00
Plymouth.....	9 50
Dubuque, W. M. S.....	20 00
Y. L. B. S.....	14 50
Eldora, Bridge Builders.....	20 00
Coral Workers.....	15 06
Grinnell, W. H. M. U.....	24 59
Hampton, W. M. S.....	15 00
Lausing Ridge, W. M. S.....	3 50
Lawler, Mrs. S. M. Crandall.....	1 00
Le Mars, L. M. S.....	3 40
Magnolia, W. H. M. U.....	1 00
McGregor, W. M. S.....	14 40
Midland, Ladies.....	5 00
Mount Pleasant, L. B. Soc.....	2 14
Osage, W. M. S.....	13 55
Oskaloosa, W. M. S.....	14 50
Preston, L. M. S.....	6 00
Rockford, L. M. S.....	2 92
Shenandoah, W. M. S.....	2 28
Tabor, A. M. S.....	3 10
West Burlington, Mrs. M. B. Hol-	
yoke.....	1 00

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Algona, Mrs. M. H. Carter.....	10 00
Davenport, A Friend.....	1 00
Grinnell, Rev. T. O. Douglass.....	5 00
Rev. H. M. Skeels.....	5 00
Ionia, Rev. N. L. Packard.....	5 55
Salem, A Friend.....	2 50
Tabor, A Friend.....	6 66

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Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in
February, 1890. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Algona.....	\$35 27
Allison.....	15 00
Almoral.....	18 35
Alton.....	6 32
Alwa.....	5 37
Atlantic.....	92 45
Ladies.....	33 00
Avoca, German.....	3 03
Bassett.....	3 60
Baxter.....	5 80
Belknap.....	24 00
Carnsforth.....	2 20
Center, Thank-offering.....	10 50
Central City.....	17 50
Charles City.....	148 50
Chester Center.....	6 95
Chickasaw.....	1 45
Cleveland, Eng.....	7 00
Decorah.....	46 00
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	169 50
De Witt.....	9 15
Dunlap.....	58 62
Eldon.....	20 25
Everly.....	2 25
Fayette.....	14 00
Garden Prairie.....	23 00
Garner.....	7 51
Giltman.....	14 68
Grand River.....	2 00
Green Mountain.....	14 50
Hawarden.....	24 66
Ionia.....	5 96
Iowa Falls, \$26.35; S. S., \$10.....	36 85
Jackson Township, First.....	17 30
Jewell.....	5 50
Keosauqua.....	64 25
Kingsley.....	7 58
Lausing.....	3 00
Lima.....	3 50
Manson, Thank-offering.....	70 00
Maquoketa, First.....	24 75
Marion.....	40 25
McGregor.....	80 58
Milford.....	10 00
Monona.....	5 00
Montour.....	37 50
Nashua.....	60 00
Newell.....	29 20
Ochevedan.....	11 25
Old Man's Creek.....	34 00
Orchard.....	37 50
Otho.....	17 00
Oto.....	10 00
Ottumwa, South.....	7 00
Swede.....	2 60
Peterson.....	9 00
Quasqueton.....	9 06
Rockwell.....	25 00
Rodney.....	2 50
Sargeant Bluffs.....	15 00
Shelby, German.....	2 02
Sloan.....	13 75
Smithland.....	1 45
Storm Lake.....	43 27
Tabor.....	53 07
Union.....	72 50
Victor.....	2 62
Washita.....	13 83
Wayne.....	17 60
Waverly.....	5 60
Williamsburgh.....	21 65
Witttemberg.....	31 00

Y. P. S. C. E.

Atlantic.....	2 60
Council Bluffs.....	4 50
Denmark.....	6 66
Eagle Grove.....	2 59
Fairfield.....	5 00

Maquoketa.....	\$2 04
McGregor.....	7 53
Owen Grove.....	2 00
Rockwell.....	5 47
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, Treas.:	
Algona, W. M. S.....	\$4 00
Belle Plaine, S. S.....	1 15
Central City, W. M. U.....	5 00
Charles City, L. M. C.....	25 00
Cherokee, W. M. S.....	12 00
Corning, W. M. S.....	5 00
Council Bluffs, W. M. S.....	5 50
Denmark, L. H. M. S.....	25 50
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	13 17
Fontanelle, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 21
Fort Dodge, W. M. S.....	20 00
Grinnell, W. H. M. U.....	9 25
"Seek and Save".....	73
Lewis, L. M. S.....	7 20
Marion, L. M. S.....	20 00
Monona, W. M. S.....	3 00

Ottumwa, First, W. M. U.....	\$10 56
Polk City, Ladies, \$8.20; Mary A. Bates, \$5.....	13 20
Stanley, Mrs. M. C. Irvine and sister.....	4 00
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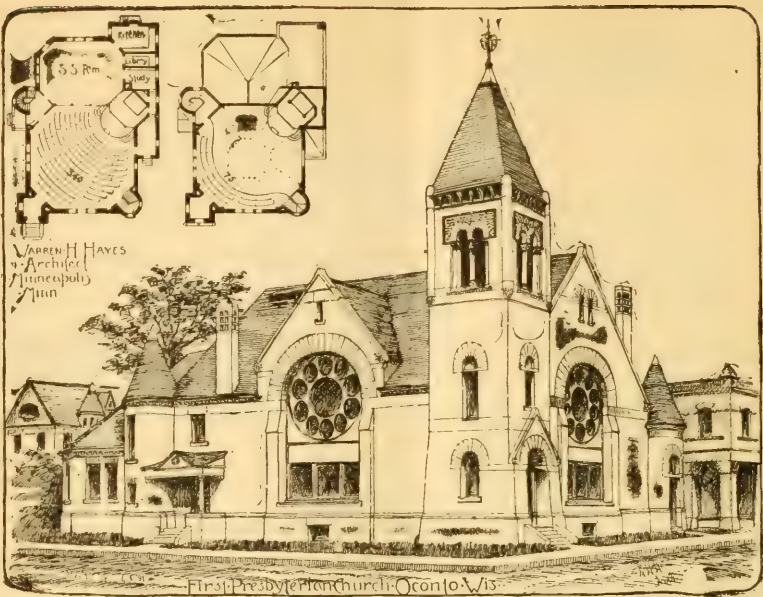
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FROM THE FIELD.

I AM trying to hold the situation in the spirit of William Carey, when he said, "I CAN FLOD."—*Michigan.*

NOTWITHSTANDING the hardships of our life on the frontier, we feel well paid when we see the people flocking together, packing the little school-houses to their utmost capacity, all hungry for the Gospel.—*South Dakota.*

A THOUSAND miners, and no service of any kind, only as I can furnish it occasionally. When the fields are in such distressing need, and the Society in such woful want of men and money, what is a superintendent to do? "Lord, how long!"—*Washington.*

THIS is a very wicked town. No respect is shown for the Lord's Day. Saloons, billiard-halls, and card-tables are open every Sunday, and liberally patronized by both men and women. We are gathering in the children, and hope through the little ones to reach the parents.—*Nebraska.*

PEOPLE are coming eight miles to attend our meetings. One man, who has been an earnest seeker, was going out to attend to some matters on his farm. By the side of a fence he kneeled down, and prayed as follows: "Dear Jesus, if you will not forgive me, and take me, let me die right here!" Another, who declared he would not ask for prayers, begged for mercy before the close of the meeting. A man who thought he could not speak in a meeting, was so filled with joy last evening that he could not keep silence.—*Minnesota.*

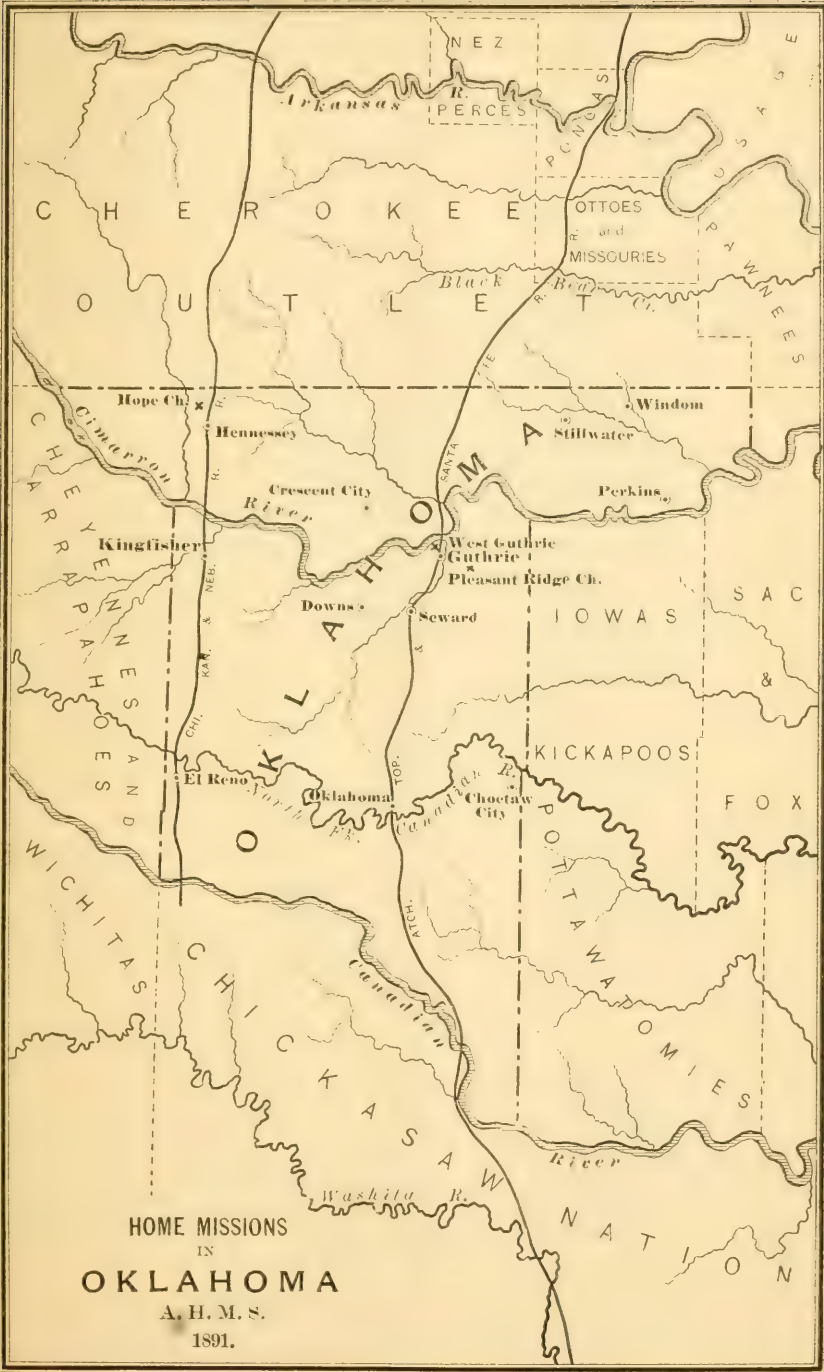
OKLAHOMA.

BY REV. J. H. PARKER, GENERAL MISSIONARY, OKLAHOMA.

BOUNDARIES: North by the Cherokee Outlet; east by the Sac and Fox, Iowa, Kickapoo, and Pottawatomie Reservations; south by the South Canadian River; west by the Cheyenne and Arrapahoe Reservation. Number of acres, 2,000,000; shape, a "stove-pipe" hat sliced down through the middle. The Cimarron River glides down the western corner in a southeasterly direction, crosses the Territory eastward about twenty miles south of the northern boundary, and then toward the eastern side bends in a northeasterly direction. The rim of the half hat represents the course of the Cimarron River. This gives an extension on the north boundary both on the east and west wider than the main body of the Territory. To this add the "Neutral Strip," "No Man's Land," thirty-six miles wide, and one hundred and sixty-eight miles long, bounded on the north by Colorado and Kansas, east by Cherokee Outlet, south by Panhandle of Texas, and west by New Mexico, and we have OKLAHOMA TERRITORY as now constituted. The Territory is divided into seven counties, with Stillwater, Guthrie, Oklahoma City, Norman, El Reno, Kingfisher, and Beaver as county seats. Guthrie has been since the organization, and will be probably for the next two years, the seat of government.

OKLAHOMA,—PROSPECTIVE.

A GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, consisting of Ex-Governor Jerome, of Michigan, Hon. Warren G. Sayre, of Indiana, and Hon. A. B. Wilson, of Arkansas, have been engaged for months negotiating with the several tribes of Indians on the borders of Oklahoma, looking toward the opening of the surrounding lands to white settlement. The prospect for an early opening is very flattering. In fact, with several of the tribes, the arrangement is so far perfected that there remains only the ratification of the treaties by Congress, and bills are before both Houses, and have been reported favorably by the committees. After the Indians have taken their lands in severalty there will be from 10,000,000 to 12,000,000 acres to be taken by white settlers. These lands are the Cherokee Outlet on the north, 6,000,000 acres; the Iowa, Sac and Fox, Kickapoo, and Pottawatomie Reservations on the east, 250,000 acres; the Cheyenne and Arrapahoe Country on the west, and the Kiowa, Apache, and Wichita Reservations in the southwest, which, together with the disputed Greer County of Texas, make about 6,000,000 acres additional. This, in all probability, will be Oklahoma of the near future, containing within its



borders the material possibilities of a grand commonwealth. Beyond these borders there are other lands which will be annexed in process of time. These are now held and occupied limitedly by such tribes as the Poncas, Otoes, Pawnees, Kaws, and Osages. Some think the whole Indian Territory will become the State of Oklahoma. My own judgment is that two States will be built up in this fair Southern Territory, one of which will be the possessions of the five civilized tribes.

OKLAHOMA,—MATERIAL.

THE only question which bothers the agriculturist of this "Land of the Fair God" is the baptism question. The cow-boys of No Man's Land used to sing a parody of "Beulah Land" as follows:

"O No Man's Land! Sweet No Man's Land!
As on the highest point I stand,
I look away across the plain.
And wonder—will it ever rain?"

So the query here is, Will there be sufficient rain in the summer months for the crops? The first full-year experience, that of 1890, was discouraging. To offset this are 1889, with plentiful rains, and the burden of testimony from the Indians and white settlers who have been here for years. The rich and diversified soil is here. The mild climate is ours. Twenty-five thousand bushels of wheat, furnished by the Rock Island and Santa Fé Railroads, were sown last fall, and is looking as well as that of Kansas, the leading wheat State of the Union. Cotton can be successfully and profitably grown, as was proven in 1890. Corn will not fail the farmer here if the windows of heaven are opened at the right time. All kinds of grasses and fodder, sorghum, melons, peanuts, vegetables of almost every description, yield abundantly. Fruit promises to be a constant crop. Latitude and altitude are favorable. We are too far south for the killing frosts. At Fort Reno the soldiers say a peach crop is never missed. Peaches, apples, grapes, and berries have been cultivated most profitably for years in the Chickasaw Nation, just south of Oklahoma.

Beaver County, "No Man's Land," and the western portion of the Cherokee Outlet, and Cheyenne and Arrapahoe Country, are particularly adapted to stock raising, and will be principally so used.

The accessibility to the northern markets by the two great lines of railroad already built, and others promised, and to the two great deep-water harbors of Galveston and Aransas Pass, on the Gulf, make Oklahoma a most favorable location for the farmer, fruit grower, and stock-raiser. East and West lines will bring the coal and metals of Indian Territory and New Mexico into the factories and homes of this new land. Wood is burned almost exclusively. This is abundant and cheap. Thou-

sands of cords, mostly of black oak, are piled along the Rock Island, at Hennessey and Dover, bought by the railroad of the homesteaders at \$1.75 per cord.

OKLAHOMA,—EDUCATIONAL.

A PUBLIC school system was provided by the late Legislature, and is now being put into effect. There are four schools to a township, a board of five controlling them. Each county has its superintendent, and there is a Territorial Superintendent. These superintendents are a Territorial Board, who provide examination questions, select text-books, not to be changed for five years, and have general supervision. Fifty-thousand dollars have been appropriated by the General Government to be used exclusively in payment of teachers. This is estimated to give about \$3 to a pupil. The population of the Territory is 65,000, those of school age numbering about 17,000. School-houses are being built by subscription, and soon communities without a school will be rare. Fairly prepared teachers from Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Illinois, and other States are coming to us. The color-line question promises to be a disturbing one in future days. Congregationalists seem to be at the front in this educational work. Two of our missionaries have been appointed County Superintendents by the Governor; another is a school director; the wife of another is a teacher; quite a number of our members are teachers. Our Kingfisher Academy has helped to prepare at least a half-dozen of the teachers commanding good positions in this county.

OKLAHOMA,—SOCIAL.

ALL kinds have found homes, and will seek homes in this new country. The two civilizations of North and South meet on this divide. The lawless of other days have located here for a claim, and have not altogether changed their spots. The triad curses of intemperance, gambling, and licentiousness are here in force. Profanity is all prevalent. But, the good, latent and lambent, is here, too, and, as ever, has its victories when aroused to contest. Give us the living Word of God in the hands and hearts and mouths of living men and women of God, and Christianity will attain and maintain the sway.

OKLAHOMA,—POLITICAL.

THE Territory is Republican by inheritance, "forinst the Government," and Alliance by a fashionable and somewhat reasonable restlessness. In short, politics are somewhat mixed, and you cannot tell from one election to another how our people will vote.

OKLAHOMA,—RELIGIOUS.

THE several denominations are pushing their work here. The Methodist Episcopal, and Methodist Episcopal South, Presbyterian, Baptist,

Campbellite, and Congregational are most prominent. There is some unholy rivalry, and there are some queer exemplifications of "comity." On the whole, however, we are peaceable and dwell in apparent harmony. There is not much overcrowding of sectarian enterprises as yet. The financial depression has thus proven a blessing. Though Congregationalism had no representative on the ground until after the middle of August, four months from the opening, the accompanying table shows we have not been idly waiting for other hands to do our work. This represents to the outward vision somewhat of the work of seventeen months. On account of lack of funds the General Missionary has pastored the church at Kingfisher, and thus been prevented from a careful supervision, and general helpfulness which ought to be rendered new enterprises, especially where pastorate and membership are new to our polity. Out of the 300 membership not over fifty were Congregational. Four of our ministers are new to our church polity, and only three are "to the manner born." Five of the fifteen churches are at county seats, and nine occupy their fields without other competing denomination. Seven have permanent houses of worship, all aided by the A. C. U. to the amount of about \$4,500. One has a temporary church edifice. Three others have grants or loans voted, but have not yet been able to meet the requirements to utilize them. The poverty of the people, intensified by last summer's drouth, and the general financial stringency, have materially retarded our work. Government has appropriated already \$50,000 to aid the poor, and another \$50,000 is expected. Where such aid is a necessity there cannot be much expected toward salaries and buildings and benevolences. But a better time is coming, and we do not believe the money our Societies have put into this new Territory will prove to have been misapplied. In the near future, perhaps before this meets the public eye, it ought to be quadrupled. When the great country on every side of us opens, we cannot sit down and wait for the money market to improve and the banks to cease closing their doors. God is above, and our faith is in him and his Congregational people. We are planning for Congregational occupancy of these new fields, and expect God's stewards are going to rise up and say,

"Well done, good and faithful servants, enter into that goodly land, and we will pay the bills."

At least twenty minute-men should be under orders, and ready to spring forward in the front rank of the moving hosts, and plant His and our banner in town and hamlet as they spring up as by magic all over these plains. We have vantage points, and the intention is to work from them vigorously and courageously, and we believe the constituency of the Home Missionary Society and Congregational Union will not disappoint us, but will contribute prompt and efficient support. One hundred dollars in the beginning is worth \$1,000 six months later.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF OKLAHOMA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES.

TOWN.	CHURCH.	<i>Organized</i> 1890.	<i>Pastor.</i>	<i>Membership.</i>	<i>Families.</i>	<i>Benevolent</i> <i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Home</i> <i>Expenditures.</i>	<i>Sunday-School.</i>	<i>Y. P. S. C. E.</i>	<i>Building.</i>
Choctaw City.....	.....	May.....	W. D. Trover.....	29	25	\$3 00	\$400	40	....	\$600
Crescent City.....	.....	Dec. 28.....	D. S. Briggs.....	11	30	.....	.....	40	....	None
Downs,.....	Central ..	March 5.....	J. B. Williams....	31	75	3 27	516	60	5	\$750
El Reno,.....	Pilgrim...	March 6.....	T. W. Minnis....	14	25	12 50	40	56	20	Loan voted
Guthrie,.....	Plymouth	Aug. 29 ('89).	.....	35	50	15 00	600	93	52	\$1,600
“ West,.....	Union ...	May 26.....	W. W. Buchanan.	16	40	.....	100	....	....	Loan voted
“ Pleasant Ridge.....	.....	Jan. 18 ('91).	W. Lumpkin.....	9	25	.....	.....	....	....	None
Henessey,.....	First.....	March 3.....	J. S. Hawks.....	29	150	2 50	245	87	13	Temporary
“.....	Hope.....	Sept. 2.....	“.....	27	100	.....	300	50	....	\$300
Kingfisher,.....	Union ...	Dec. 22 ('89).	J. H. Parker.....	21	45	30 00	2,000	70	25	\$3,000
Oklahoma City,.....	Pilgrim..	February.....	W. D. Trover....	27	50	10 00	1,438	125	16	\$3,000
Payne Center.....	.....	May 30.....	R. B. Foster.....	7	25	.....	.....	....	....	None
Seward.....	.....	March 13.....	W. Lumpkin.....	10	20	.....	6	40	....	Grant voted
Stillwater,.....	First	May 30.....	R. B. Foster.....	10	20	8 25	300	50	....	\$1,000
Windom.....	.....	Oct. 26.....	“.....	26	40	1 00	....	50	....	None
Totals.....	.....	15	9	302	720	\$85 52	\$5,945	761	131	

Another method of aiding would be by coming to make your homes in this new and goodly land. Form Congregational colonies, or come singly, bachelors, maiden ladies, families—but come prepared to aid in this blessed work. Write to any of the ministers in the accompanying table, and you will get prompt answers, and a warm invitation to find your way to their corner of the kingdom. If you are rusting, and of little account in the old big church, come down and help lead in this heroic work for the dear Master, and his unshepherded sheep and lambs.

“Heaven’s gate is shut to him who comes alone,
Save thou a soul, and it shall save thine own.”

Please pray, my brother and sister, over this Oklahoma SUMMARY, and then rise from your knees, and help answer your prayers.

OKLAHOMA’S NEEDS.

1. Baptism of the Holy Spirit upon all present workers and work.
 2. Twenty more consecrated laborers in this harvest field.
 3. Money to dot these plains with houses of worship.
 4. A Gospel Tent.
 5. Christian men and women to make their homes in Oklahoma for Christ’s sake.
 6. Christian education provided for white, black, and brown. Academies, a College, a Training School for Christian workers—these are the near necessities.
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WOMAN’S WORK IN OKLAHOMA.

THIS is yet in its infancy. The Woman’s Missionary Union was organized Oct. 22, 1890, with four Territorial officers and fifteen Vice-Presidents, representing the fifteen organized churches.

The ladies of the church at Guthrie have grafted the Homeland auxiliary upon an existing Ladies’ Aid Society. They give one day a month to the study of missions. A penny collection is taken at this meeting, to which is added mite-box offerings. This auxiliary has a membership of twenty. The attendance upon the meetings is large, and much interest is manifested. The young people have organized a Homeland Circle of fourteen members. They use the mite-boxes, and meet one evening a month to study missions. They are quite enthusiastic.

Downs reports an auxiliary, but does not mention any special methods of work.

Oklahoma City ladies are not regularly organized yet as an auxiliary, because they are trying to pay off a pledge on their church building, after which they promise to come into line. "The Vice-President at Oklahoma City expresses the feeling of most of us," writes the Secretary, "when she says: 'We were given \$900 and loaned \$600 by the Home Missionary Societies. This is very much appreciated, even by those not directly interested in or acquainted with Congregationalism. It will certainly help us very much to become properly organized.'"

Kingfisher has an auxiliary, and also has the Territorial President of the Union.

"When we consider the amount of help we have received and shall receive from the A. H. M. S. we feel like making every exertion to do our full share." Thus writes the Territorial Secretary.



KINGFISHER ACADEMY.

This school was opened September 1st, 1890, in the basement of the Congregational Church edifice, and has been in continuous session since, except for the holiday recess. There are three teachers employed, Mr. G. D. Moss, principal; Miss Mollie Wolfe, assistant, and Mrs. Prier P. Smith, directress of the Musical Department. A very successful school has been conducted, meeting the approbation of all patrons. The tuition rates are \$6, and \$4, and \$10 in music. Though moderate, there are numbers that cannot pay, and the management has not had heart to turn them away. They have even invited the worthy poor to avail themselves of these opportunities that these young men and women might be better prepared for life work. Aid has been furnished by several individuals in different parts of our country, and \$15 has lately been sent by the Sunday school of Central Church, Worcester, Mass. The following Y. P. S. C. E.'s have joined in a monthly pledge of \$1 to support Miss Wolfe, and they invite others to join them in this most worthy object: Plymouth, Wichita, Kan.; Church of the Redeemer, Atlanta, Ga.; First, Oakland, California; Wahpeton, No. Dak.; and Wilmette, Ill. There ought to be at least one contributing Y. P. S. C. E. from each State and Territory.

The present needs are a building and more assistance towards meeting the running expenses.

The school is pre-eminently a home missionary enterprise, organized by the General Missionary, housed in the building of a home missionary church, conducted under the auspices of the Territorial Association composed entirely of Home Missionaries and their churches, and dependent on missionary aid. What more is wanted? Sympathy, prayer, contributions.

The future has grand possibilities and momentous obligations for us as Congregationalists along the Christian educational lines. The Indian is at our every door to be educated; the colored people are to be here by the thousands and tens of thousands; white boys and girls are here to be reared for life's activities. What shall be our answer to these pressing demands?

WHAT IT MEANS.

By MRS. L. E. KIMBALL, SECRETARY W. M. U., OKLAHOMA.

I TOOK up our newspaper this morning and read this:

"The Indian lands near us will soon be open. This opening means two hundred thousand people in the strip, with a dozen towns of one thousand to ten thousand each. It means the opening of the little reservations with their twelve million acres of free lands in this Territory, with at least four thousand people in them. It means a splendid Territory and a strong State in what is now a wilderness. It means civilization instead of isolated, enforced barbarism for our Indians. It means prosperity."

Now what does all this great opening of country mean to *us*? It means twelve million acres of free land to be occupied with its hundreds of thousands of people and all the evils they bring with them. It means the bringing of whiskey to debauch the present innocent and ignorant population. It means *WORK* for our Missionaries. It means more earnest *work* and *prayer* by all mission loving people, and it means an immense amount of money to be expended—more, perhaps, than ever before—by the A. H. M. S. in any one locality. The Adversary will have all the money he needs to carry on his work.

How can we who love God and his work stand still and let this opportunity go by? Shall we wait until the EVIL has the first stronghold, and then in our weakness come in and try to compete with it? Can we not better use our influence to have this country saved from that giant evil, *INTEMPERANCE*? Can we not make our influence felt against this evil? Can we not go in on the ground floor and, fully equipped, meet the enemy with our weapons? Is there not somewhere in this vast country *MONEY* dedicated to God's service, waiting to be used for just such an emergency as this? There is money enough to build the saloon and support its accompanying evils.

Oh, for power to convey the IMMEDIATE, the IMPERATIVE NEED of the very present hour. This is not a growth that will cover years. It is a matter of but a few weeks or months at the outside. Soon all these cities

and towns will verify the saying, "A nation shall be born in a day." Would that I had the words to present the present crisis in this part of the country as I, who have been here from the beginning, look upon it!

PIONEERING IN OKLAHOMA.

SINCE my last quarterly report our preaching place has been changed four times. The buildings being rented, or unfit for service in stormy weather, have dislodged us and compelled us to seek dry land; but like the dove we have found no rest for the soles of our feet. The compensation is that the people follow us up and down the land. To-day our congregation is rarely below a hundred in number, and often reaches two hundred at our evening service. But you must "sense" our situation, if possible, to catch a glimpse of the struggles and obstacles which arise from this wandering life. Our children know not where to meet for the next Sunday-school session, and energy enough to build a house is exhausted in posting people as to our next meeting place.

The A. C. U. voted us \$500, and we started a subscription list and other plans for a church building fund, and just on the edge of building the foundation, one of our banks suspended. Our subscription list soon began to shrink until we found that over half of the pledges were unreliable. We have now matured a plan which we trust will be accomplished if we can gain the aid of one or two wealthy Eastern churches. A second-hand building, 20x40, is for sale in an adjoining town five miles from here, which we can buy and move upon our lot for a total cost of \$225. We can raise \$100 of this amount, and now I am appealing to friends abroad for the balance.

Our school has steadily deepened in its life and work. The attendance has often crossed the fifty notch, and we hope by summer to reach one hundred at least. A corps of teachers has been trained until they are enthusiastic workers for the school. Gospel Hymn Books, No. 5, to the amount of twelve dollars, have been bought and paid for. These have attracted many scholars to the school and to the church service.

We were voted by the A. C. U. \$400 for a parsonage loan, but the uncertainty of titles through many contests has delayed our building. This has been much against the dictates of the natural man. Living in an unplastered garret, with nothing between us and the bitter cold air but a roof of shingles, compelled often to retire to our bed of blankets to keep feet and hands warm enough to study for the Sabbath services, certainly the exchange from a 12x14 garret for a four-room parsonage would have been made long ago did we consider it wise to so use the Lord's money. We have received a free gift of a lot for our parsonage

in place of one which we were compelled to restore by reason of not building within a limited time.

We have canvassed in part a new neighborhood which presents good prospects for a school and preaching point. Still another has been located for early visiting and work. The chief checks to these outside points are the distance and difficulty of reaching them by your missionary. I find a walk of nine miles on Sabbath morning, to fill one of my appointments, completely exhausts me for the day, and yet the best and most productive service comes in my evening meeting in town.

"Pushency" is the great factor of our frontier work. We have great inspiration from the prayer of faith and pushency. By "pushency" I mean dauntless attempts toward a determined end, a stake driven at a point and then working toward it. Prayer without pushency vanishes into smoke. But prayer and pushency achieve seeming impossibilities; yea, the "impossibles" become the easies. I am looking and working for the time when we can have two or three more outside suburban stations manned by sub-pastors, overwatched by the central pastor, and contributing to and receiving stimulus and numbers and means from the central church. The people are very poor, and I could not venture to ask aid from them this quarter, knowing of their self sacrifices and noble denials.—*Rev. T. W. Minnis, El Reno, Okla. Ter.*

GUTHRIE, OKLAHOMA TERRITORY.

Do you remember the little Sunday-school under the forest-trees, six miles from Guthrie, which I had just started when you were here?

Well, after awhile they asked for meetings, and I went over there evenings, four evenings a week. I have been holding services in other places about here. Last night I took my noon lunch at half-past eleven at night! We have been greatly blessed in the work. The Lord has indeed been with us.

Now for the good news. That little Sunday-school under the forest trees has become a church of twenty members. It is called the "Pleasant Ridge Congregational Church." They have built a log house for public worship. There is a feeling of deep interest among the people. When we commenced there was only one person who could pray in public, but the Lord is opening their lips now, bless his holy name! Pray for us.—*Your brother in Christ, W. Lumpkin.*

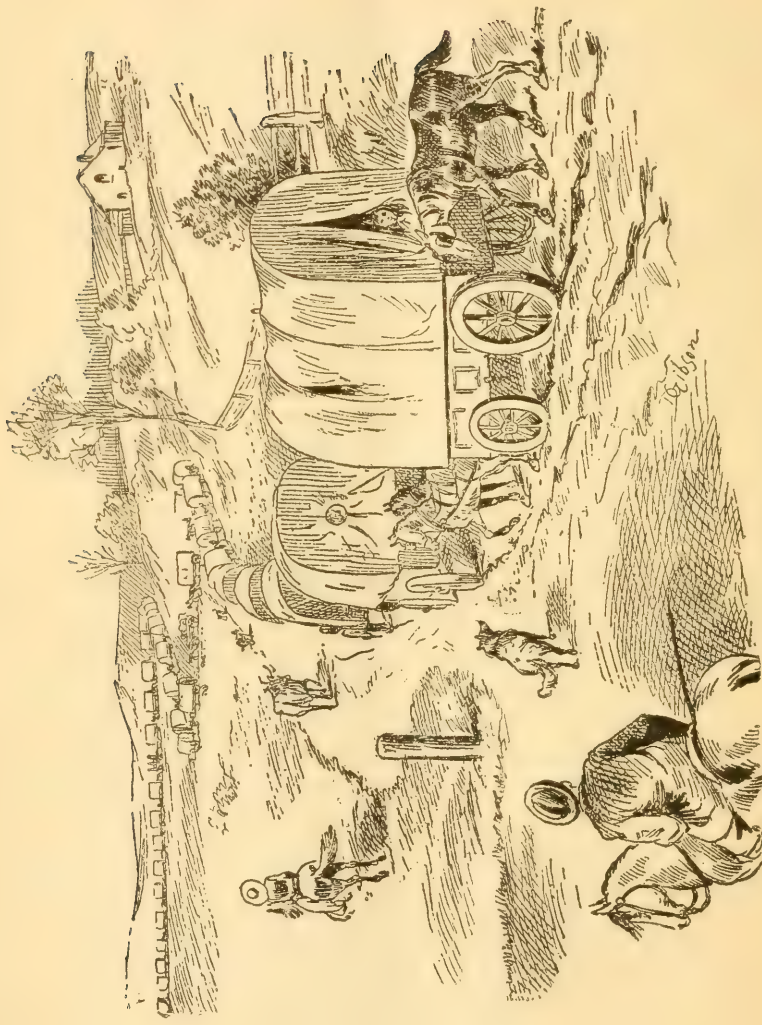
As Christian love becomes more intense it becomes also more extensive. The fire that is hottest sends its heat farthest.

NO SUNDAY-SCHOOL—NO PREACHING.

I VISITED a neighborhood in the new Territory of Oklahoma, six miles east of the city of Kingfisher. where I learned that the people had no Sunday-school. It was a beautiful rolling prairie country, dotted over on almost every quarter-section of land by some kind of a new-made dwelling, where only one short year previous the Indian and the cow-boy were the only travelers over this wild country. These dwellings were sometimes of boards, sometimes of logs, and sometimes of sod. Small patches of ground were broken by the plow near most of these houses. The country was emphatically new. They had never had any preaching or Sunday-school in the neighborhood. I called on several families, but they gave me little encouragement, principally on the ground that there was no place to hold a school, although there were more than twenty families and some bachelors within three miles of a center.

I succeeded, however, during the first half-day's ride, in inducing a man having the largest house in the neighborhood to allow me to call a meeting at his house for the following Sunday. I then spent another day in riding about the community, calling upon the people, and inviting them to attend the meeting. Some seemed very glad to have a meeting, saying that they had not heard a sermon since they came into the Territory. Others seemed very indifferent, saying they were too busy to go to meeting even on Sunday. A few made the excuse that they worked their horses hard all the week, and wanted them to rest on Sunday, and it was too far to walk. Other few said that Sunday was the only day they had to go visiting, and they wished to improve the day in that way. Still others said they had no clothes fit to be seen at any meeting.

However, at the appointed hour on Sunday fifty-five people gathered at the place designated, and I preached an earnest gospel sermon to them. You should have seen the diversity of seats used upon the occasion. The people listened attentively, and at the close of the sermon, when the call was made for all who made any profession of Christianity, of whatever name, to rise, eight persons arose. I then addressed them on the importance of organizing and maintaining a Sunday-school. Three different families offered to open their houses for the school, and the people voted unanimously to organize. They then elected four officers and four teachers as best they could from their own number, and twenty-nine promised to attend the school regularly. They voted unanimously to call their school a Congregational Sunday school. I promised to donate them literature from the Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society to begin with, and such assistance afterward as they might need. I placed this school under the watch of the Congregational pastor at Kingfisher.—*Superintendent Platt, in "Pilgrim Teacher."*



GOING TO OKLAHOMA.

BY THE WAY.

OKLAHOMA at last! The train is an hour late at Guthrie. It is half-past eleven o'clock at night, and the rain pours in torrents. What if Missionary Parker has forgotten! But no—here he is, and with him good Deacon, Lumpkin of Plymouth Church, Guthrie, and that wide-awake Sunday-school man, Platt of Kansas, also the gentlemanly young president of the Territorial Y. M. C. A. The greetings are cordial, and the traveler is at home.

"I HAVE a cab here for you," says Mr. Parker, "and you are invited to be the guest of loyal friends of the Guthrie Church, Mr. and Mrs. Kimball." Cabby is called, but Cabby has been bribed by another party. We must remain in the dismal station until it suits his convenience to return.

"Had he played this trick upon some men here, he would not dare to return," said Mr. Parker, "but he has no fear of *my* ammunition." After an hour of discussion upon methods of Christian work in the new Territory the party welcomed the return of the delinquent driver, and the guest was taken in the rain and darkness over crooked roads to her destination.

THE early hours of the morning find the driver pounding upon the door of a small house until a lady appears and, giving the stranger hearty welcome, begs to be forgiven for having retired. The outside door opens directly into the sleeping-room, and from some mysterious corner other greetings are given by the husband and son. The hostess lifts a curtain with the words, "You are to sleep here," and leaves the traveler to avail herself of the comfortable bed for the few remaining hours before dawn.

NEXT morning, while the house-mother prepares breakfast, the children gather about the cheery open fire, and discuss the comparative advantages of Oklahoma and New York City as a permanent residence. They are keenly intelligent, and glad of news from the far-away East and North.

THE father comes in with fresh wood for the fire, and remarks quietly, "Guthrie doesn't look much as it did when I first came here, April 22, 1889."

"Were *you* one of that frantic 25,000?"

"I was indeed," he said; "and it was then that I secured the lot for this house and another for my grocery."

"Do tell me about it!"

"Well, imagine a great lonely country, without any people. Look where you will, great empty plains meet your eye. Now imagine the change when thousands of men in all sorts of conveyances—some in wagons, some on horse-back, some in fine buggies, some on foot, and in fact in every conceivable way, are coming to this spot, and are all strung in line on three sides of the promised land, and all kept back by the United States troops.

"In addition to these, you see on the railroad track at the line, both north and south, long trains of cars loaded down with people, all bound for the same beautiful land of Oklahoma. Some carry guns and blankets, bags and valises; some have nothing but a shotgun and a shovel, as though prepared to bury their dead as they go along; but in fact the shovel is to mark the corners of the lot they expect to get, and the gun is to hold it.



HOLDING DOWN A CLAIM.

"At the hour of noon the bugle blows, and the word of command is given. 'Go!' And they all do go, every man in full rush for the claim or the town lot, as the case may be.

"The trains arrive at Guthrie in quick succession from one o'clock, P.M. until dark, unloading men. You should have seen them pour out of the doors and windows of those cars long before the train reached the station, throwing their blankets and guns and shovels before them, picking them up and running in every direction, with the same object in view—a lot. A man rushing along sees a vacant space; he stops, throws down his luggage, takes his shovel, throws up a little sod at each corner, and stands guard over his new possession or, as he calls it, his future home. The sun rises next morning upon 25,000 men in Guthrie, where twenty-four hours before there was not one sign of life excepting at the station-house."

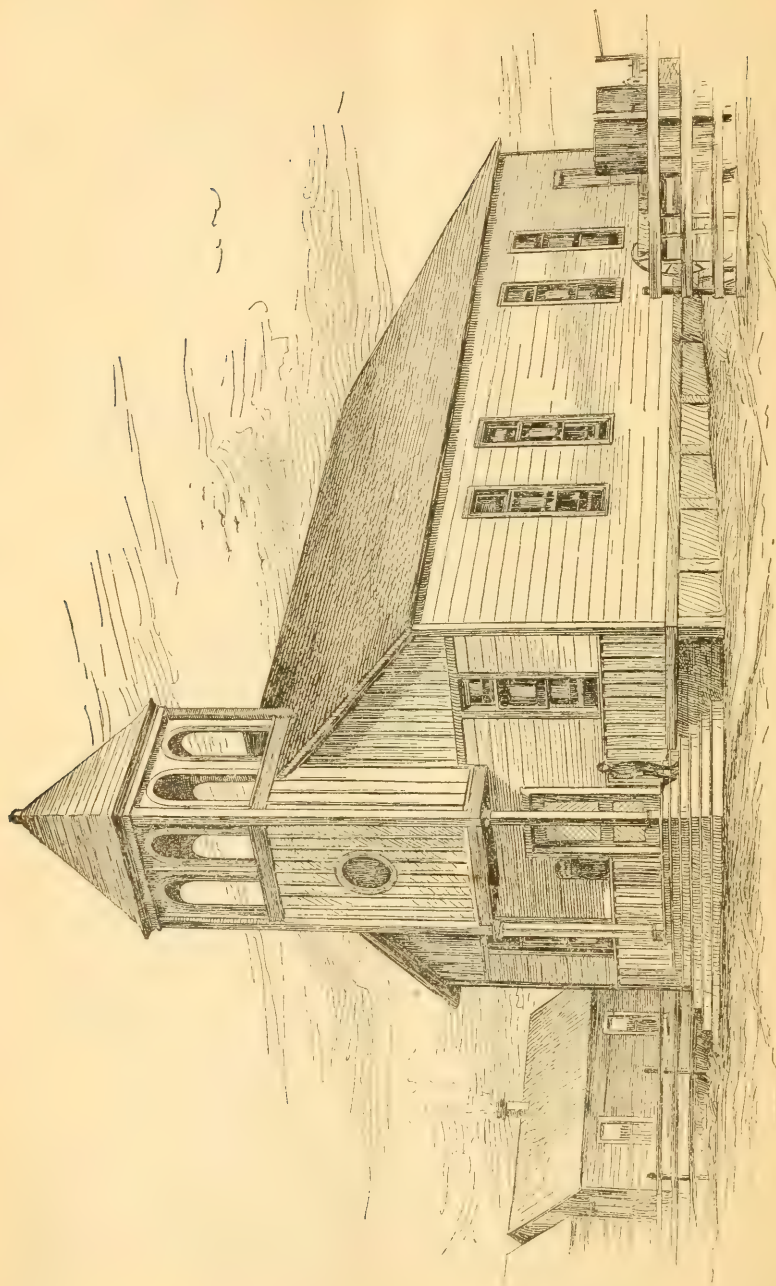
THE welcome call to breakfast interrupts the story, but the listener is too much interested to wait long for the next chapter. "How," she asks, "were these 25,000 men kept from slaughtering each other in the grand rush for lots?"

"Well," said Mr. Kimball, "I have said it before, and I'll say it again. No scene like this in Oklahoma that day was ever known in history. Think of it! At six o'clock that afternoon 25,000 men found themselves upon the spot where the future great city of Guthrie should be founded—*with no law*. We were not in Indian Territory now. No laws of the United States applied to us. Four or five companies of soldiers were here to keep the peace. They stood ready also to catch the boot-leggers, peddling whiskey in the brush.

"At six o'clock that afternoon the people, from nearly every State and Territory in the Union, came together on the government acre to take steps to form some government. The men representing each State drew off together, and selected from their number one man as their representative. In this way we secured thirty-one delegates, whom we organized as a council. This Council formed a code of laws, subsequently adopted at a mass meeting.

"THE next step was to elect a mayor. Two men were nominated, one a law and order man, the other a whiskey and gambling man. Each candidate mounted a wagon, waving a flag. Every man of the 25,000 was shouting a "Hurrah!" for his own candidate, and urging others to fall into line and follow his flag. So we marched in line, four to six abreast, over the beautiful hills of Guthrie, out upon the plains, each following his own candidate. There we were counted. The law and order crowd outnumbered the whiskey crowd. Then the whiskey men cried out, "Fraud! Fraud!" and broke ranks and claimed the victory. This made great confusion. We were obliged to elect a third man, Col. D. B. Dyer of Kansas City, upon whom both factions agreed. He proved a good man for the place.

"THE next step was to select a site for the future city. The Council of thirty-one engaged surveyors to plot the city, and at a mass meeting it was agreed that all men holding lots that should prove to be in a street or alley should step aside, and take their misfortune like men. In two weeks the plot for Guthrie was completed. Then came the clearing the streets of the shanties and tents in the way. Many said they would fight to the death before they would give up their lots; but our Mayor marched at the head of the military, and pulled up the tent-pins, and tore down the shanties, and when the people



CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH AT GUTHRIE.

saw that the law would be enforced they concluded to abide by it. From this time substantial improvement commenced."

AFTER breakfast the horse was brought to the door. He was attached to an open wagon into which were placed provisions for the ministers and delegates of the new Association about to be formed at the church; the children were tucked in between the baskets, and Mrs. Kimball and her guest occupied the only seat. The rain-pour, which had not ceased for one moment through the night, now gathered new force. The children were left at the school-house for the day, and the ladies drove to the Congregational Church of Guthrie. On the way one was impressed with the somewhat haphazard fashion in which buildings had been set upon the lots. The scramble for situations was thus materialized. But when we reached the business street of Guthrie, what a change! A wide, fine-looking street lined with elegant buildings in stone and brick. Banks seemed to predominate, and, alas! saloons also were there in full force.

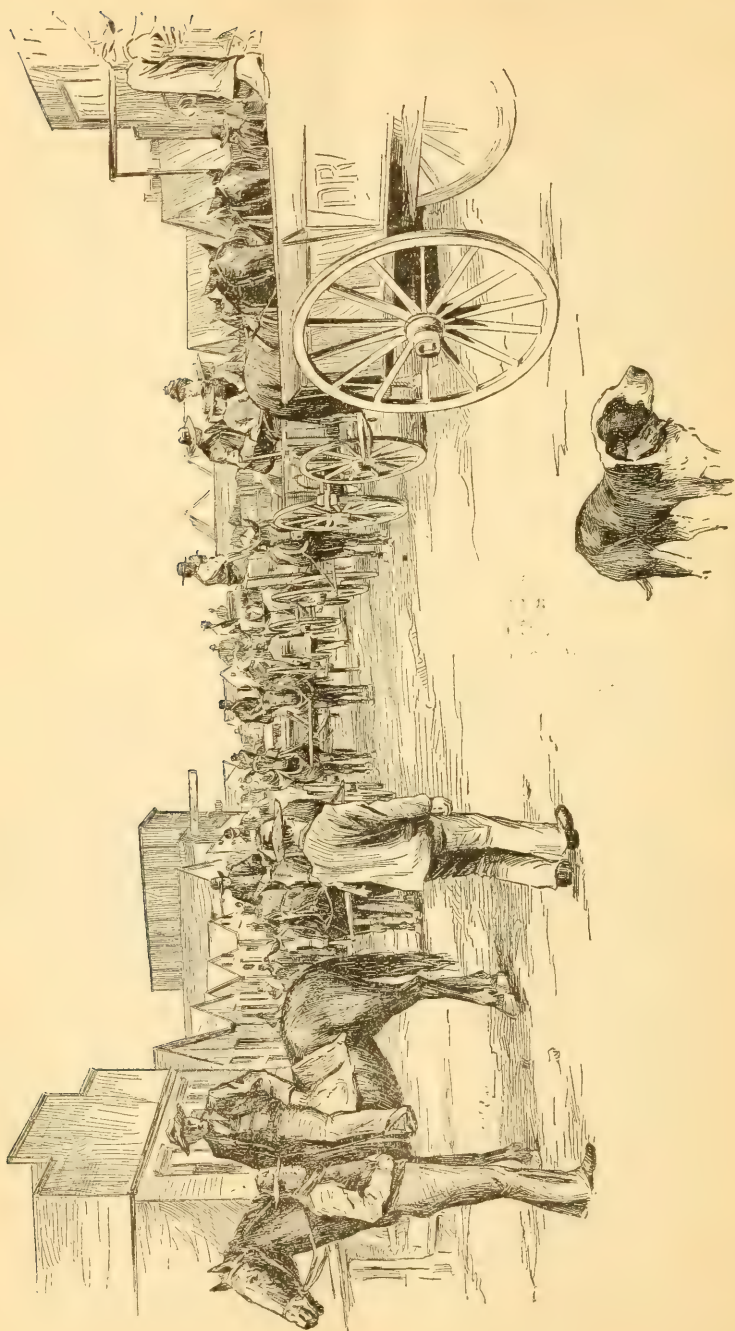
WE enter the Guthrie church, a building waiting to be furnished. There were chairs, and there was a large stove in the center of the room. The mud which was thick and deep outside, plastered the church-floor. There was no help for it. As we stepped into the building the pastors, delegates and women from the fifteen Congregational churches of Oklahoma—established in thirteen months—came forward with hearty greeting. One said, "Let us kneel right down here together, and thank God that he has sent us a friend from headquarters." Those simple, earnest prayers! The noise of the rain beating against the windows, the barren house, the muddy floor—all, all were forgotten during that half-hour of prayer.

AND now Mr. Parker calls us to the front seats, and the General Association of Oklahoma Territory is to be organized, after the pattern of that of Kansas. As Congregationalism is an unfamiliar polity to all parties, the whole forenoon is spent in asking and answering questions.

A LADY rises and remarks, "If we are to prepare dinner for this company we must be about it," and the sisters retire to the rear of the church while the further discussion of the brethren is conducted in the fragrant atmosphere of the culinary department. Now and then a ministerial head is turned to take in the picture of the fair Marthas, and the face is lighted in happy anticipation of a "good square meal," and when we did gather about those heavily-laden tables we were ready to do ample justice to a most appetizing dinner.

A STRANGER, in dripping hat and overcoat, opens the door. "I am a photographer," he explains, "and have come to take the picture of the first OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION." We are requested to stand outside that he may include the church edifice. The guest begs permission to hold an umbrella. The request is declined, because the umbrella may hide a part of the building or a face or two of the members. To one in search of new experiences this is sufficiently novel.

WE re-enter the church. The sisters wash the dishes, and amid the gentle clatter of glass and china the brothers complete the organization of the Association. "I move, Mr. Moderator," says one, "that our guest stand upon the platform, and that we fire questions at her." The motion is carried, and as the trembling victim takes her stand she remarks, "It is easy to fire questions—but the answering fire, alas!"



GUTHRIE, TEN DAYS OLD.

SUCH a volley of questions! About Congregationalism—about the American Home Missionary Society—about the “Seven Societies”—about methods of church work, etc., etc.

THE dishes are washed, and the women who have come from all parts of Oklahoma gather at the rear of the church to be organized into the “Woman’s Territorial Missionary Union of Oklahoma.” They will not take one step without a thorough understanding of it. At last they are ready, and organize on the broadest basis, taking in the work of the Seven National Societies, home and foreign. “We cannot help much with money yet, but we can meet regularly in our different churches, and pray, and study the work.” This was the sentiment that pervaded the meeting. Would that it were adopted by every auxiliary in the country. If our women will set themselves in earnest to pray, and to study the work, the terrible word “DEFICIT” will vanish from the missionary vocabulary.

PLAIN WORDS.—A business man in St. Louis, a loyal and generous friend of the American Home Missionary Society, attended its annual meeting at Saratoga last year for the first time. In a letter written to friends at home at that time he asks: “Who think you, are the people attracted to this great home missionary meeting so that at some of the sessions standing room is in demand? You say, ‘Ministers, missionaries, the secretaries, and their wives.’ Yes, to some extent; but largely *business* men—bankers, merchants, manufacturers, lawyers, and their wives; practical people, who believe in God, and love their native land. These are the people who appreciate the value of such an agency as the American Home Missionary Society, as of supreme importance, not only for the evangelization of America, but of the world, and in whose Gospel of Giving the Gospel of Grace finds a living illustration.

As might be expected New England is largely represented. The gifts of grand old Massachusetts last year amounted to nearly forty per cent. of the entire amount given by the United States to the A. H. M. S.! A conspicuous example of practical Christianity.

Western people sometimes sneer at the frugality and “penuriousness” of New England in contrast with their own open-handedness and breadth; but what means this stream of money which New England has poured into the frontier districts of the West during all these years, for planting and maintaining the Gospel,—money that has been obtained through patient industry and self-denial? What does it mean, indeed, but this: In New England, the principle of universal brotherhood, and the law of stewardship are so inwrought into the very fiber of Christian life, as to find such exercise its truest and only practical expression. There is much missionary work to be done in New England, but she provides not only for her own needs but flows out in gracious streams of blessing over the whole country.

Woman's Department.

TELL the tale of Jesus' love
Tenderly and sweetly;
Like to one who fain would be
In its power completely.
'Tis a wondrous, wondrous theme!
Love o'er sin victorious!
'Tis the love of God's dear Son—
Let his praise be glorious.

Tell the tale of Jesus' love
Fresh from Truth's own pages;
All its hold on man it keeps
Through long lasting ages.
While to you the passing years
More and more endear it,
Millions of the human race
Die—and never hear it!

Tell the tale of Jesus' love,
Free from formal phrases;
Let each meaning word and look
Speak the Savior's praises,
Heaven is listening! Wherefore wait?
Haste! for time is flying;
Speak as though you just had seen
Christ for sinner's dying.

Tell the tale of Jesus' love,
Fervent prayer upbreathing;
Plead as Christ would plead with men
Tears with words enwreathing;
Plead as one whose gladdened heart
Thrills with Calvary's story;
Plead as one who longs to win
Souls for God and glory.

Tell the tale of Jesus' love
While the strength is given;
Glorious work on earth is this—
Pointing souls to heaven!
Tell this tale of love until
Soul from body sever;
Then among the saints above
Tell it out forever!

OFFICERS OF THE OKLAHOMA UNION: President, Mrs. D. K. Cunningham, Kingfisher; Secretary, Mrs. L. E. Kimball, Guthrie; Treasurer, Mrs. C. A. McNabb, Oklahoma City. Vice-Presidents: Mrs. W. Lumpkin, Guthrie; Mrs. J. A. Brown, Guthrie; Miss Minnie Olney, West Guthrie; Mrs. T. W. Minnis, El Reno; Mrs. Perry Crosthwaite, Kingfisher; Miss Grace Cook, Hennessey; Mrs. Emma Snyder, Hennessey; Mrs. W. S. Berry, Downs; Mrs. R. J. Barker, Crescent City; Mrs. L. H. North, Oklahoma City; Mrs. S. E. Outcalt, Choctaw City; Mrs. N. J. Little, Seward; Mrs. R. B. Foster, Stillwater; Mrs. M. L. Grant, Payne Center; Mrs. J. B. Chapman, Windom; Mrs. J. L. Mills, Perkins.

RESULTS.

THE homeland women of Missouri entered upon the year just closed with trembling. There seemed nothing to do but take the step forward in the dark, and in simple faith. Such faith has been honored by God, and they sing praises of thanksgiving to-day because of the way in which he has led them. In conscious weakness the officers of the Union have spent much time in prayer, and have thus received a continual baptism of the Holy Spirit. The presence of the Heavenly Guest was especially manifested at the recent annual meeting held in Kansas City. The interest of the large audience was sustained to the very close. There were evidences of deep feeling on many faces, and several were in tears. The reports of the faithful workers, who had gained victories over manifold difficulties, were pathetic and inspiring.

After the meeting a number who have been indifferent to the blessed privilege of service made solemn pledges of re-consecration.

One uninterested sister who was brought to the meeting much against her will resolved that she would resist the gracious influence about her. She was won to join the ranks of faithful workers before the meeting was over.

A lady said, "I came to this meeting through curiosity to see what a lot of women had come to Kansas City for. *I am a member of the church, but this is the first time I ever attended a missionary meeting.* I was not interested, and I did not even wish to be interested. I want you to know that I go out from this meeting a changed woman."

Financially the Union has exceeded the amount hoped and planned for this year, having reached the sum of \$3,410 07, and both officers and members begin a new year with renewed faith and zeal. Through all the year, and especially at the annual meeting, the beloved and absent founder of this Union, in her far-away Boston home, has faithfully remembered its work and its workers before God.

Our Young People.

BABY'S MITE-BOX.

"Oh, papa, won't you give the baby a box too?" said the children, as they eagerly gathered about him to receive their paper boxes destined to hold the pennies gathered for the Homeland Circle.

"Certainly," said papa. "Each one is to have a box, and mamma can put in a penny a week for the baby until he is old enough to do it himself."

There were seven boxes of different colors. On the top of each was printed, "Offerings for Home Missions," and on the bottom, "Go, . . . Preach the Gospel." "How shall they preach except they be sent?"

"I want a pink box," said little May, "for that is my color;" and her dark eyes sparkled with delight. "Violet, please," said gentle Daisy. "Any color," said Jack, with boyish independence.

The others were soon suited, and beside the mother's box was placed the baby's, of delicate blue, upon which his name was written, and into which many a penny found its way. Once in three months all the boxes were emptied, and the money sent through the Society's Secretary to New York for Home Missions. At such times the pastor or superintendent gave a little talk to the Sunday-school to keep them interested in the work and if possible interest others. "Only the mites!" but if all would help what a power they might become!

The dear baby, the greatest treasure in that home, grew more and more lovely as the months went on, and all the pennies that came to the mother's hands were dropped into baby's box. She had so much for which to be thankful, and she felt that this was one little way to do something for the dear Master.

Baby's first birthday had just passed when suddenly the call from heaven came, "Give me thy child!" and the mother's heart grew cold with fear as she heard it, and she watched the light fade from the sweet eyes and the little hands and feet grow strangely still.

Kind friends brought lovely flowers and heaped the tiny casket, and with many tears the little form was placed under the sod in the beautiful cemetery, and they returned to the lonely home. On the bureau stood the baby's box. The mother took it in her hands and read, "How shall they preach except they be sent?" She opened the box; there were thirty-four pennies in it. "Mamma," said a gentle voice at her side—"mamma, I will keep baby's box. I will put into it every bright penny and nickel and dime that I can get, so baby can share in the work just as though he were with us."

A year has passed, and many have been the bright pieces of money dropped into that consecrated box. Sometimes it seems as if people must know of the little box, so many shining bits come into the little maiden's hand, which with glad heart she gives to the Lord, praying that He who despiseth not the day of small things will add his blessing that it may multiply a thousand-fold.—*Baby's Mother, Missouri.*

WHAT BECAME OF THE LITTLE BOX?

UPON the editorial desk is a small white box. Open it, and you will see a layer of rose-tinted cotton. Lift this, and you disclose ten bright nickels. Lift the next layer, and your eye rests upon twenty shining dimes fresh from the mint. The third layer covers a bright silver dollar.

This dainty offering was placed in the hand of the editor after a missionary talk to the children in Missouri by a dark-eyed maiden, who said, "We children all have your home missionary mite-boxes. Well, my baby brother had one, and we liked to hold his little fat hand over the box so he could drop in the penny with the rest of us. Last year baby died, but we couldn't seem to put away his little mite-box; so I said we would let it stay with the rest, and I would put into it all the shining pieces of money that came to me. Oh my! how they did come! Perhaps it seemed so because I was watching for them. Perhaps Jesus let them come. Here they are in the little box—thirty-one pieces to help pay one of the Home Missionaries."

A sacred offering indeed! Will it not receive a special blessing in the work? We cannot put this little offering into the treasury without an effort to increase its cash value. And so we are ready to **SELL** these shining pieces. For \$10 we will send you a nickel; for \$20 you shall have a dime, and for \$100 you may have the silver dollar. Thus shall the heart's desire of this young disciple "come to pass," and the mite-box of the baby brother in heaven yield a missionary salary.

THE money has begun to come for these shining dimes and nickels, and we are asked, "Can children's mission bands or classes in Sunday-school help?" Indeed you can. Will you?

A LITTLE GIRL'S TALK.

A FEW Sundays ago I heard a little girl's talk over her pocket-book before church time. Her brother said to her:

"Where's your money? There will be a contribution to-day."

She went to get her pocket-book.

"I have three silver ten-cent pieces."

Her brother said, "A tenth of that is three cents."

"But three cents is such a stingy little to give. I shall give this ten cents. You see I would have had more here, only I spent some for myself last week. It would not be fair to take a tenth of what is left after I have used all I wanted."

So she had put a dime in her pocket when some one said:

"I hope we can raise that \$300 for Home Missions to day."

"Oh, this is Home Mission Day. Then that other dime has to go too." And she went to get her brightest dime with a doleful groan.

I said, "If you feel so distressed about it, why do you give it?"

"Oh, because I made up my mind to always give twice as much to Home Missions as anything else, and I shall just stick to what I made up my mind to."

Now this little affair set me to thinking:

1. We should deal honestly with God in giving. "It is not fair," said the little girl, "to count your tenth after you have used all that you want."

2. We should deal liberally in giving. If the fair tenth is the petty sum, let us go beyond and give more.

3. Let us give our best things. That which is the nicest to keep is also the nicest to give.

4. Let us give until we feel it.

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

THE receipts in April, 1891, were: From contributions, \$13,542.54; from legacies, \$17,230.43; in all, \$30,822.97. This is an advance of nearly \$6,800 over the receipts in April, 1890—a gain due, however, to increased income from legacies, and not to larger offerings of living givers. These fell short of the average for the five previous Aprils, enlarged as that average was by the liberal offerings in April, 1890.

The receipts at the New York office in the sixty-fifth fiscal year were: From contributions, \$302,240.07; from legacies, \$158,759.48; in all, \$460,999.55. Adding the amount raised and expended in the Auxiliary States, \$174,180.90, we have for the year's income, \$635,180.45—only \$36,000 less than that of the previous year, which was \$129,000 greater than had ever before been reported.

For a year of so general business stagnation, and so many reverses, this is a record that calls for profound gratitude to God, and to his faithful stewards.

These faithful stewards will suffer us to remind them that the summer

months are again upon us, with the yearly scattering of pastors and people from our largest churches, leaving the supply of the treasury for the time chiefly to the care of such churches as are not depleted in "the heated term," and of brethren with resources so abundant that they can keep up their habitual generous giving without stopping to "discern the face of the sky." To these, and to all the noble band of cheerful givers, whether in sums great or small, we confidently and earnestly appeal for needful means to carry forward in the new year the cause they love, and which their Lord and Master loves and owns.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

THE SIXTY-FIFTH Anniversary of the American Home Missionary Society will be held this year, as for eight previous years, in the Methodist Church, Washington Street, Saratoga Springs, N. Y. Hon. NELSON DINGLEY, of Maine, will preside. On the evening of Monday, June 1, and the forenoon of Tuesday, June 2, the officers and superintendents of the Society will be in private session, in the Congregational Church, for the discussion of practical questions connected with their work. For the present year this meeting will be for the officers and superintendents only. The public sessions will open on Tuesday evening, June 2, and close on Thursday evening, June 4.

The annual sermon will be preached on Tuesday evening, by Rev. Wolcott Calkins, D.D., of Newton, Mass. There will be morning prayer-meetings before the regular sessions of Wednesday and Thursday, and three public meetings—forenoon, afternoon, and evening—will be held on each of those days.

On Wednesday forenoon, papers on the work of the sixty-fifth year, and on the prospective work of coming years, will be read by the Secretaries. On Wednesday afternoon will be held the annual business meeting, at which the Report for the sixty-fifth year will be presented.

On Wednesday afternoon, also, the annual meeting of the Woman's Department will be held as usual. The entire session will be given to personal experiences from missionary workers.

On Thursday, the Annual Report and the Secretaries' papers will be reported upon by committees appointed for the purpose, and addresses will be made upon the matters therein presented. Anniversary addresses from representatives of the American Congregational Union and of the Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society will be heard on Thursday.

Addresses from the American Home Missionary Society's superintendents and missionaries, representing many of its distant fields, may be

expected during most of the day and evening sessions of Wednesday and Thursday.

As heretofore, generous concessions from their usual terms for entertainment have been made by the proprietors of many Saratoga hotels and boarding-houses, a list of which we give below, asking candid attention to the suggestions of the local Committee of Arrangements, of which Rev. CLARENCE F. SWIFT, pastor of the Congregational Church, is chairman. He will cheerfully aid those proposing to attend the meeting in any way in his power.

Announcements as to expected reduction of fares by railways and steamboats will be made in the religious papers as soon as negotiations are completed. The terms will not differ materially from those of previous years. On most roads those certified as paying full rates to Saratoga will be returned for one-third fare.

SUGGESTIONS.

1. While the prices given below are as nearly exact as possible, some variation in particular cases will be expected; *e. g.*, higher prices for specially desirable rooms; lower prices for parties, etc.

2. Where only one price is indicated, it is supposed that persons desiring to room alone will be given smaller rooms. One person occupying a double room will generally be charged more.

3. In order to avoid any misunderstanding, definite arrangements, whenever possible, should be made before reaching Saratoga. Changes in boarding places should be made only for very good reasons, and when any change is necessary the host should be informed at once.

4. There is no legal limit to the hack-fare for passengers; but the customary charge is 50 cents for single fares, and 25 cents each for a party of two or more.

5. The Local Committee, wearing white A. H. M. S. badges, will be at all trains to give any desired information.

HOUSES AT \$1 PER DAY.

Franklin House, Church St.; Regent St. House, 209 Regent St.; Mrs. Thompson, 34 Woodlawn Ave.; Mrs. Bright, 45 Henry St.; Mrs. Fitzgerald, 135 Circular St.; R. Snow, 66 White St.; Miss Pierce, 55 Phila St.; Mrs. Carpenter, 186 Regent St.; H. Del Corral, 125 Phila St.; Mrs. Thorne, 87 Circular St.; Mrs. Wilcox, 160 Circular St.; Mrs. Humeston, 41 Church St.; Dr. Hamilton's, 44 Franklin St.; Mrs. West, 48 Franklin St.; Mrs. Waring, 25 Franklin St.; Mrs. Hayden, 101 Grand Ave.; Mrs. White, 20 E. Van Dam St.; Albion House, 72 Front St.; Van Veghten House, 64 Front St.; Elmwood Hall, 48 Front St.; Mrs. Settle, 184 Regent St.; Woodlawn Cottage, 94 Woodlawn Ave.; Mrs. Sherman, 147 Woodlawn Ave.; O. F. Lockwood, 81 State St.; Marston Cottage, 29 Woodlawn Ave.; Swan Cottage, 24 Woodlawn Ave.; Spencer House, 2

Woodlawn Ave.; The Cranmer, 17 Woodlawn Ave.; Mrs. Walker, 53 Spring Street.

\$1 PER DAY, TWO IN A ROOM; \$1.25, ONE IN A ROOM.

The Walworth, 525 Broadway; The Kenmore, 556 Broadway; Garden View, 534 Broadway; Howland House, 573 Broadway; Healey Cottage, 20 Woodlawn Ave.; Broadway House, 522 Broadway; Mrs. Burnett, 136 Spring St.; Mrs. Walters, 152 Spring St.; Linwood, 239 So. Broadway; Mrs. Cogswell, 344 Broadway; Vanderburgh Cottage, 131 Phila St.; Dr. Travers, 103 Circular St. (two in a room); Mrs. Record, 74 Caroline St.; Mrs. Schmidt, 66 Caroline St.; Circular St. House, 93 Circular St.

\$1 AND \$1.50 PER DAY.

Albemarle, 235 So. Broadway; Waverly, No. Broadway; Balch House, 526 Broadway.

\$1.25 PER DAY.

Mrs. L. L. Brintnall, 55 Henry St.; Vermont House, Grove St.; Miss March, 1 Batcheller Row, Regent St.; Mrs. Liker, 51-53 Henry St.; Mrs. Deuel, 109 Phila St.; the Misses Bogert, 598 Broadway.

\$1.25 AND \$1.50 PER DAY.

Congress Park House, So. Broadway; The Lafayette, 109 Circular St.; Washburne Hotel, Washington St.; Tefft House, 33 Franklin St.; Mrs. Putnam, 497 Broadway; Holden House, 423 Broadway.

\$1.50 PER DAY.

Trim Cottage, 61 Phila St.; Mrs. Scoville, 57 Phila St.; Mrs. MacComber, 69-71 Caroline St.; Summer Rest, 75 Spring St.

\$1.50 AND \$2 PER DAY.

Heustis House, 230 So. Broadway; Columbian, So. Broadway.

\$2 PER DAY.

Dr. Strong's, 90 Circular St.; Worden Hotel, Broadway; The American.

\$2.50 PER DAY.

Adelphi, Broadway.

THE WOMAN'S STATE MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS will hold an all-day meeting in the Congregational Church at Saratoga, Tuesday, June 2.

The morning session will open at 9.45. This session will be for State Officers only, and will be devoted to the transaction of business and discussion of methods of work. The question of a National Advisory Committee will be presented and considered.

The afternoon session will open at 2 o'clock. A hearty invitation is

extended to all women interested in Homeland work to attend this session. Papers discussing topics of vital importance to the work will be presented by women from different and widely separated States. This meeting in former years has proved very helpful and inspiring. It is hoped this one will even make an advance in this respect. The session will close with a consecration service.

THE meeting of the WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT of the American Home Missionary Society will be held on Wednesday, June 3, at 2:30 P.M. At this meeting there will be fifteen-minute informal addresses from our missionaries. Mrs. Harmon Bross will give us a glimpse of her life in the Black Hills; Mrs. Joseph Ward will take us to that almost hopeless field in South Dakota to which she has given HERSELF; Rev. James Hayes, a converted coal-miner, will tell his story of that difficult field, the Coal Mine Mission, in Indiana, which he is reclaiming for Christ. The German work will be represented by Mrs. H. Ficke, *Frau Pastorin*, Immanuel Kirche, Iowa, and the Scandinavian work by Miss Selma A. Johnson, a Scandinavian missionary in Minneapolis.

THE friends of Home Missions will be glad to learn that Dr. Strong has prepared a revised edition of that most valuable book, "Our Country," which has had such an unprecedented circulation, and has met with the approval of intelligent people throughout this country and abroad. The facts concerning it may perhaps as well be stated in the language of one of the Secretaries of this Society in his communication to "The Advance" of April 9: "The many readers of 'Our Country,' by Dr. Josiah Strong, will rejoice that a new edition of that wonderful work has been prepared by the author and will soon be issued by the Baker and Taylor Publishing Company. Several chapters have been rewritten and new ones added, making a volume of about fifty additional pages. The statistics have been revised by the help of the recent census, and the outward appearance of the book will be greatly improved. More than 130,000 copies of the first edition were sold, and its readers have been many times that number. The copyright is still in the possession of the American Home Missionary Society, whose officers will never cease to be grateful for the favor it has found and the good it has done."

"I SUPPOSE," writes a New England pastor, "that the debt of the A. H. M. S. will disappear; but there really isn't much advance when you step out of one debt into another for the next year. There *must be* an advance! How is this advance to be won? How would it do to call

upon the Sunday-schools for ten cents a member to meet the summer drouth in your treasury? Appoint some Sunday for this, and let every child save up ten cents for that Sunday. We have 600,000 children in our Sunday-schools. They surely ought to enable the Society to advance a little.

THE election of Rev. J. H. Kyle, of Aberdeen, South Dakota, to the United States Senate, causes the "Congregational News," of Chicago, to exclaim: "When has such honor as this come to a Congregational Home Missionary, who did not seek office, and who, until his election, was giving all his time to pastoral and missionary work? This looks like a promise of return to the good old usage of the office seeking the man."

ONE attractive feature of the recent annual meeting of the Congregational Association of Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho was the ordination to the full work of the Christian ministry of our devoted missionary, Mrs. N. F. Cobleigh, who received a rare tribute from the pastors for her successful evangelistic work in their churches during the last fifteen months.

WE learn with pleasure that a pastorless church in Nebraska arranges its services from the pages of *The Home Missionary*. The people are interested and attend regularly. A more intimate acquaintance with the acts of the nineteenth-century apostles might be a benefit to other pastorless churches—aye, and some pastored churches also!

As we go to press, the good news comes that UTAH has joined the sisterhood of Woman's Unions. Mrs. Tichenor-Bailey, President, and Mrs. W. S. Hawkes, Secretary and Treasurer. Praise the Lord!

Appointments in April, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Anderson, Mrs. Anna, Chicago, Ill.
 Arnquest, Salomon, St. Louis, Mo.
 Arthur, Charles M., Nashville, Mich.
 Atcheson, William H., Rose Creek and Taopi, Minn.
 Barteau, Sidney H., Stephen, Minn.
 Busler, S. P., Jackson, O.
 Christy, A. B., Albuquerque, N. Mex.
 Coburn, Wallace I., Denver, Colo.
 Dickinson, William G., General Missionary in So. Dak.
 Dumm, William W., Harmon, Colo.
 Field, Floyd C., Clare and Dover, Mich.
 Finster, Clarence, Rockford, Mich.
 Foster, George R., Jackson, Mich.
 Francis, David R., Cleburne, Tex.
 Grinnell, Eugene I., Copemish, Mich.

Hardaway, George W., St. Petersburg, Fla.
 Kirkpatrick, David M., Carson City, Mich.
 Owens, Richard H., Bevier, Mo.
 Saunderson, Horace, General Missionary in Colo.
 Smith, Daniel E., Swansville, Minn.
 Smith, Richard, W. Indianapolis, Ind.
 Smith, Thomas, Hosmer and Little, Ind.
 Thompson, John J., Breckenridge, Utica, and Maple Grove, Mo.
 Upton, Jonathan S., Shelby, Ala.
 Warren, Willis A., Belgrade, Minn.
 Watson, Robert H., Kalama, Chester Station, and Carmel, Mich.
 Wells, John L., Jersey City, N. J.
 Wherland, James D., Esterly, La.
 Whitelaw, James D., Jamestown, Spiritwood, and Eldridge, No. Dak.
 Wood, C. C., Williamstown, Mich.
 Woodruff, P. G., Bonifay, Fla.

Re-commissioned

Antoszewskis, K., Chicago, Ill.
 Appleton, Fayette G., Lyons, Colo.
 Banister, Charles D., Cedar Springs, East Nelson,
 and Sand Lake, Mich.
 Barrie, N. C., Philadelphia, Pa.
 Belfry, William T., Michigan Center and No.
 Leoni, Mich.
 Benford, George, Harrison, Mich.
 Blomfield, Frank, Highland Station and Hart-
 land, Mich.
 Brown, Amasa, A., Spearfish (Black Hills), So.
 Dak.
 Brown, Daniel M., Indianapolis, Ind.
 Brown, Willard D., Interlachen, Fla.
 Chuun, Mark W., Glenwood, Minn.
 Cole, H. Hammond, Tucson, Ariz.
 Collier, J. L., Huntington, W. Va.
 Cook, Charles H., Park City, Utah.
 Crips, Philip M., Custer and Tallman, Mich.
 Davis, Albert A., North Branch and Sunrise,
 Minn.
 De Long, David, Arkansas City, Kan.
 Dexter, Frank N., Indianapolis, Ind.
 Drew, J. B., General Missionary in Minn.
 Earl, T. R., Buena Vista, Colo.
 Ellis, Morgan A., New Castle, Colo.
 Ellis, W. M., Tomahawk, Wis.
 Fairfield, Miner W., Ormond, Fla.
 Frink, Lemuel T., Maybee and Raisonville,
 Mich.
 Gardner, Nathan E., Buffalo, Wyo.
 Gillespie, William, Forman and Harlem No.
 Dak.
 Gridley, Albert L., Kidder, Mo.
 Gross, Alfred, Doaksville and Cedar Bluffs, Ind.
 Ter.
 Hall, Russell T., Jacksonville, Fla.
 Hicks, Lewis W., Denison, Tex.
 Hitchcock, Philo, General Missionary in So.
 Dak.
 Hunt, Ward I., Columbus, Mich.
 Hyslop, James, Potterville and Millett, Mich.
 Jones, Abraham, Carbondale, Pa.

Kelsey, Mead A., Hart, Mich.
 Luce, Albert A., Jamestown, Ind.
 Lyman, William A., Meckling, So. Dak.
 McDougal, William H., San Mateo, No. Cal.
 Maclean, William, Grand Ledge, Mich.
 Macy, Herbert, Merriam Park, Minn.
 Marvin, Dwight E., Germantown, Pa.
 Mason, Javan K., Herndon, Va.
 Mather, Wallace E., Port Orange, Fla.
 Mathews, Robert T., Hamilton, Mo.
 Missildine, A. H., Jacksonville, Fla.
 Moore, William, West Duluth, Minn.
 Newcomb, Aaron S., Eagle River, No. Wis.
 Newton, Howell E., Howells Mills and Chamblee
 Ga.
 Nicol, John, Bridgeport and Blackmar, Mich.
 Noble, Mason, Mannfield, Fla.
 Partridge, Lewis C., Gate City, Ala.
 Paulson, L. P., Tacoma, Wash.
 Petterson, Mathias, Clear Lake and New Rich-
 mond, Wis.
 Preston, Riley L. D., Springfield and Lamberton,
 Minn.
 Richards, Emanuel, Goodland, Kan.
 Richardson, Albert M., Kanwaka, Kan.
 Rodberg, John P., Fish Lake and Maple Ridge,
 Minn.
 Rogers, Alfred H., St. Clair, Mo.
 Seaver, Charles H., Middleville and Irving,
 Mich.
 Spillers, Ashbel P., Davis Chapel, Ga.
 Strickland, George D., Vanderbilt and Berry-
 ville, Mich.
 Taylor, Horace J., Fidalgo City and Rosario,
 Wash.
 Thomas, Charles N., Brownnton, Stewart, and
 Preston Lake, Minn.
 Voorhees, J. Spencer, Pueblo, Colo.
 Walker, Cornelius E., Sauk Rapids and Cable,
 Minn.
 Walters, T. W., Seattle, Wash.
 Warren, Joy M., Minden City, Carsonville, and
 Helena, Mich.
 Wheeler, Wilson C., Chapman, Kan.
 Wight, Charles A., St. Louis, Mo.
 Williams, William H., Springfield, Mo.

Receipts in April, 1891.

MAINE—\$231.12.

Bridgton, First, by J. H. Caswell.....	\$15 00
Bucksport, A Widow's mite.....	1 00
Cumberland Mills, Warren Ch., by Rev. E. M. Cousins.....	126 61
Ft. Fairfield, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. G. B. Hescocck.....	11 00
Hallowell, Miss A. F. Page.....	25 00
Kennebunk, Union Ch., by H. S. Brig- ham.....	30 51
Madison, by F. Dinsmore.....	10 00
Waldoboro, J. H. Lovell, In Memori- am, \$10; Miss J. M. Bulfinch, \$2.....	12 00

**NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$366.10; of which
Legacy, \$66.08.**

F. C. I. and H. M. U., Miss A. A. Mc- Farland, Treas.: Derry, "Lend a Hand" Miss. Band, for Mr. Stimson's H. M. horse.....	5 00
Bristol, Happy Miss. Workers, by J. D. Alexander, for Mr. Tobey's H. M. horse.....	4 99
Dover, First, by J. H. Wheeler, M.D....	122 43
Exeter, On account of Legacy of Mrs. Anna W. Chadwick, by R. B. Archi- bald, Ex.....	66 08
Hillsboro Center, A Friend.....	8 20
Hinsdale, by F. Coombs.....	9 40

Keene, A Friend of Missions, toward L. Mp. of "California Boy".....	\$1 00
Milford, First, by Dea. A. C. Crosby...	28 00
Nashua, Lucy Spalding, \$50; Edward Spalding, \$50.....	100 00
North Hampton, J. L. Philbrook, to- ward a L. M.....	10 00
Orfordville, Mrs. A. Eastman, toward L. Mp. of "California Boy".....	1 00
Suncook, Mrs. E. G. Green.....	10 00

**VERMONT—\$2,211.43; of which Legacy,
\$2,146.68.**

Bennington, Legacy of Miss E. Maria Hubbard, by H. I. Norton, Adm.....	2,146 68
Berlin, Miss Mary Perrin, for Photo- graphs.....	50
Greensboro, Nathan Keniston, to const. Mrs. Mary E. Keniston a L. M., by Rev. S. Knowlton.....	50 00
Saxton's River, Y. P. S. C. E., by F. M. Pettigell.....	2 25
Wallingford, Cong. S. S., for the Coal Mine Mission, by Miss L. A. Kelley...	12 00

**MASSACHUSETTS—\$13,726.52; of which
Legacies, \$8,000.00.**

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	4,000 00
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Received by Rev. M. W. Montgomery:

Anonymous, special.....	\$7 00
Boston, W. G. Benedict, special	10 00
Hatfield, Mrs. A. Cowles, spec'l	1 00
Pittsfield, Mrs. Chas. Atwater, special.....	50 00
Springfield, Israel Harmon.....	1 00
Waverly, Thomas West.....	5 00
Worcester, Ella E. and Rosalie Goddard, special.....	10 00
	<hr/> \$84 00

Acushnet, Legacy of Miss Martha H. Spooner, by F. B. Dexter.....	2,000 00
Amherst, F. Weitlauf, for the Germans	1 00
Andover, Edward Taylor, special.....	15 00
Ayer, First, by C. E. Blood.....	10 15
Boston, On account of Residuary Legacy of Justin S. Ambrose, by A. S. Lovett, Ex.....	5,000 00
Concord, Mrs. E. Hunt, special.....	5 00
Miss Mary Munroe, special.....	10 00
Dedham, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band.....	29 45
Dorchester, B. C. Hardwick, Second Ch., by Miss E. Tolman, special.....	100 00
Hadley, Ladies' H. M. Soc. of the First, by Miss J. A. Lawrence, toward L. M. of Mrs. Osseumus Shumway.....	10 00
Haverhill, A. E. Welch.....	20 00
Hinsdale, Y. P. S. C. E. of Cong. Ch., by Rev. J. H. Laird.....	1 00
Housatonic, Cong. S. S., by Miss A. R. Turner.....	43 27
E. J. Giddings, special.....	2 00
Lyon, A Friend.....	5 00
Massachusetts, A Friend, toward L. M. of the "California Boy".....	1 00
New Bedford, North Ch., add'l, by J. W. Hervey.....	1 00
Newton, Charles E. Eddy, special.....	10 00
North Adams, Mrs. A. E. Babbitt, special.....	5 00
Northampton, Legacy of Mrs. Cecilia L. Williston, by A. L. Williston, Ex.....	1,000 00
Norton, Trin. Ch., by S. H. Cobb.....	13 75
Peru, Cong. S. S., by J. Barlow.....	6 00
Pittsfield, South Ch., by H. M. Peirson, to const. Dr. Clark Wright a L. M.....	50 00
Mrs. F. T. Allen, of which \$50 special	100 00
Quincy, A Friend of Missions.....	2 00
Saundersville, by A. E. Gurney.....	10 00
South Hadley, A Friend.....	5 00
Southampton, A Friend.....	5 00
Springfield, A Friend.....	1,000 00
A Friend.....	100 00
Stockbridge, A Lady Friend.....	5 00
Turner's Falls, D. M. Bowman.....	4 00
Warren, Cong. S. S., by E. J. Spencer.....	47 90
Worcester, Salem Street Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by E. M. Harding.....	25 00

RHODE ISLAND—\$610.06; of which Legacy, \$525.00.

Little Compton, On account of Legacy of Anstrace Pierce, by Geo. Pierce, Ex.....	525 00
Newport, United Ch., by E. P. Allan.....	43 06
Providence, North Ch., add'l, by C. H. Eastwood.....	2 00
Pilgrim Ch., by H. C. Waters.....	25 00
A member in Brooklyn.....	15 00

CONNECTICUT—\$1,362.48.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.....	123 70
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.: Fair Haven, Second, Aux., by Mrs. A. Barnes, for Salary Fund.....	\$16 00
Hartford, First Ch., Ladies' H.	

M. Soc., by Mrs. S. M. Hotchkiss, special.....	\$10 00
Hartford, First Ch., Jun. Aux., by Miss C. M. Cooley, for Salary Fund, \$60; for the Wash. Band, \$25.....	85 00
Hartford, Primary Class of the First Ch. S. S., by Mrs. C. A. Jewell, for Children's Bohemian Fund.....	5 00
Newington, Euncean Soc., by Mrs. J. O. Barrows, for Salary Fund.....	1 50
Norwich, Broadway Ch., Aux., by Mrs. W. R. Burnham, spec'l	50 00
	<hr/> \$167 50

Bridgeport, Second, C. E. Sanford, by O. H. Brothwell.....	20 00
Bristol, Cong. S. S., by I. C. Sessions..	30 13
Center Brook, Mrs. E. E. Kelsey.....	1 40
Colebrook, by J. M. Grant.....	5 50
Connecticut, A Friend.....	5 00
Danielsonville, H. N. Clemons, for Debt	5 00
Ellington, A Friend, special.....	2 00
Farmington, First Ch. and S. S., by H. W. Barbour.....	102 60
A Friend, special.....	1 00
Goshen, Mrs. Moses Lyman.....	10 00
Greenwich, Sound Beach, First, by Mrs. C. T. Peck.....	2 50
Guilford, First, by E. W. Leete, to const. Miss Harriet E. Clark a L. M..	50 00
Hartford, Fourth Ch., by H. M. Foster. Rev. A. T. Perry.....	38 12
Killingworth, Y. P. S. C. E., by Matie L. Harris.....	50 00
Meriden, First, by W. H. Catlin.....	6 00
Middletown, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the North Ch., by Mrs. G. H. Hulbert, for Salary Fund.....	300 00
New Haven, Ch. of the Redeemer, by Rev. S. W. Barnum, to const. Rev. Watson L. Phillips, D.D., Franklin H. Hart and Chas. D. Sherman L. Ms. Yale Divinity School, by W. R. Stewart.....	25 00
	<hr/> 152 75
New London, First, by H. C. Learned.	26 75
Norwich, Mrs. E. F. W. toward L. M. of "California Boy".....	85 53
Putnam, A. B. Williams, by Rev. W. G. Pudefoot.....	1 00
Vernon Center, Cong. S. S., by E. C. Chapman.....	50 00
Waterbury, Ladies' Benev. Soc. of First Ch., by F. E. Dutton, to const. Mrs. Israel Upson a L. M.....	4 00
West Cornwall, Mrs. David F. Smith and family, by D. L. Smith.....	50 00
Westminster, by A. C. Greene.....	40 00
Cong. S. S., Mrs. A. C. Greene's Bible-class, by A. C. Greene.....	3 00
	<hr/> 4 00

[ERRATUM: "East Woodstock, Nine Mite-boxes, an Easter offering, \$5." Erroneously acknowledged in May number.]

NEW YORK—\$1,726.41; of which Legacy, \$450.00.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, Treas.: Brooklyn, Ladies' H. M. Soc. of the Ch. of the Pilgrims, Salary Fund, \$100; Bohemian work, \$50.....	\$150 00
"The Earnest Workers" of Lewis Avenue Ch., for Mr. Stimpson's H. M. horse.....	15 00
Zenana Band of Central Ch.....	25 00
Boys and Girls' Miss. Band, Central Ch. for H. M. horse	5 00

Gloversville, Ladies' Aux. for "Gospel Wagon".....	\$15 00
Norwood, Young People's Soc.	5 21
Parishville, Mrs. A. Flagg.....	2 00
Poughkeepsie, Ladies' Aux....	40 00
Richville, Ladies' Aux. for Debt.....	5 00
Rochester, Ladies' Aux., South Ch.....	25 00
Sandy Creek, Ladies' Aux....	5 90

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Albany, A Friend, Extra-cent-a-day, for Salary Fund.....	3 75
Brooklyn, Beecher Memorial Ch., by C. W. Conner.....	10 00
Central Ch., A. Alford.....	13 00
Cong. S. S. of the Ch. of the Cove- nant, by Miss A. S. MacKay.....	25 00
Canandaigua, First, by C. T. Mitchel..	58 32
East Buffalo, by Rev. E. Curtis.....	2 50
Elbridge, by C. H. Van Vechten.....	11 20
Ellington, \$5; W. H. M. U., \$7; Mrs. H. B. Rice, \$5, by Rev. L. Harlow.....	20 00
Greene, by Rev. W. D. Jones.....	11 72
Hamilton, by O. S. Campbell.....	9 00
Harpersfield, by Rev. B. F. Tobey.....	4 60
Jamesport, by C. S. Tuthill.....	5 00
Moravia, First, by Rev. W. F. Berger..	50 00
Napoli, by Asher Bliss.....	9 15
New York City, Morrisania, First, by H. F. Milans.....	21 56
Charles J. Starr, \$400; A. S. Tenney, \$10; "Pilgrim," \$20.....	430 00
North Java, by Rev. R. B. Skillings.....	3 26
Ogdensburg, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. E. Curtis, special.....	5 00
Phoenix, by J. I. Van Doren, of which \$20, special coll.....	35 00
Richmond Hill, Union Ch., by John E. Fray.....	10 82
Rochester, Friends, by Mrs. J. A. Hodges.....	30 00
Rome, Rev. W. B. Hammond.....	5 00
Sherburne, On account of Legacy of A. B. DeForest, by C. A. Fuller, Exx.....	450 00
Syracuse, Plymouth Ch., by W. Ogden.....	6 75
Walton, First, by G. W. Fitch.....	160 67
West Carthage, by Rev. G. R. Rowley.....	12 00

NEW JERSEY—\$345.46.

Convent Station, Mrs. E. C.....	10 00
East Orange, First, by H. N. Jennings.....	58 55
Newark, Belleville Avenue Ch., by G. H. Winans.....	173 66
Newark, Third Ch., by Rev. I. W. Dav- enport.....	3 00
Plainfield, by Rev. C. L. Goodrich.....	100 25

PENNSYLVANIA—\$78.07.

Received by Rev. T. W. Jones, D.D.: Ebensburgh, A Friend.....	1 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. T. W. Jones, Treas.: Pittsburgh, First, by Mrs. J. Edwards.....	58 50
Arnot, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. J. T. Matthews.....	2 50
Bangor, by Rev. E. R. Hughes.....	5 00
Nanticoke, by Rev. J. H. Barnett.....	1 07
Roxborough, A Friend.....	10 00

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$25.00.

Washington, L. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Miss L. Patterson, for Salary Fund.....	25 00
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VIRGINIA—\$4.25.

Herndon, by Rev. J. K. Mason.....	4 25
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GEORGIA—\$1.50.

McIntosh, Cypress Slash Ch., by Rev. J. A. Jones.....	1 50
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ALABAMA—\$3.08.

Gate City, by Rev. L. C. Partridge.....	\$3 08
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LOUISIANA—\$7.06.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. S. Shat- tuck, Treas.: Hammond, Aux.....	1 00
New Orleans, University Ch., by A. L. McClelland.....	6 06

FLORIDA—\$215.84.

Received by F. W. Lyman, Treas.: Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Treas.....	175 00
Jacksonville, Fla., by Rev. R. T. Hall..	40 84

INDIAN TERRITORY—\$4.50.

Hopkins, by Rev. H. H. Hines.....	4 50
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OKLAHOMA—\$15.60.

Choctaw City, by Rev. W. D. Trover... Downs, by Rev. J. B. Williams.....	10 00 60
Stillwater and Payne Center, by Rev. R. B. Foster.....	5 00

NEW MEXICO—\$6.55.

Received by Rev. E. Lyman Hood: Deming.....	\$4 55
Winslow.....	2 00
	6 55

ARIZONA—11.05.

Received by Rev. E. Lyman Hood: Holbrook.....	\$2 30
Nogales.....	8 75
	11 05

OHIO—\$1,497.39.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.: Bellevue, Dr. R. A. Severance, special.....	\$5 00
Berea, by F. S. Smedley.....	13 00
Berlin Heights, by Rev. D. R. James.....	11 00
Cleveland, Euclid Avenue, by F. M. Bates.....	107 40
South Welsh, by D. F. Lewis.....	15 00
Madison Avenue, by F. C. Luff.....	14 04
Rev. I. W. Metcalf.....	3 00
Columbus, Washington Avenue, by Evan Walters.....	7 10
Mayflower, by Miss Mary B. Rose.....	3 50
Madison, Central, by L. H. Kim- ball, of which from Mrs. L. H. Roe, \$10.....	18 68
Medina, Jun. Y. P. S. C. E., by J. A. Sipher.....	7 00
Peking, China, Rev. W. S. Ament.....	10 00
Rockport, Mrs. Lucy M. An- drews, special.....	1 00
Springfield, First, by Henry G. Forbes.....	29 50
Strongsville, by R. Gibbons.....	10 00
Wauseon, by Rev. J. G. Smith.....	2 05
Youngstown, Welsh, by Rev. J. P. Williams.....	18 50
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Received by Rev. H. A. Schaeffer, D.D.: Chs. and Individuals, for Bohemian work.....	116 12
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.: Brownhelm.....	\$3 00
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Elyria.....	\$10 00		Frankfort.....	\$10 61	
Hudson.....	2 50		Grand Rapids, First.....	225 00	
Madison, Central Ch.....	10 00		Mattison.....	5 00	
Marietta, First.....	12 00		Saugatuck.....	7 06	
Newark, Plymouth.....	5 00		Whittaker.....	4 50	
		\$42 50			\$469 82
Batesville, Mrs. A. H. Cowgill.....	50 00		Received by Rev. J. M. Robinson:		
Cleveland, Grace Ch., \$1.12; Rev. A. D.			Algansee.....	\$16 00	
Barber, \$5.....	12 12		Alpine and Walker.....	57 00	
Columbus, by Rev. J. L. Bright.....	5 00		Grand Ledge.....	6 00	
Elyria, First, of which H. E., \$500; D.			Hartford.....	12 00	
C. Baldwin, \$50, to const. himself a L.			Merrill.....	20 00	
M., Isaac S. Straw, \$50, to const. him-			Wheeler.....	5 50	
self a L. M., by H. Ely.....	709 20		Williamston.....	5 30	
S. S. of the First, by H. Ely, for S. S.					121 8
work.....	40 00		Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F.		
Fitchville, First, by Rev. G. H. De Kay	5 72		Grabill, Treas., rec'd in March.		
Greenwich, by Rev. G. H. De Kay.....	13 15		Alamo.....	\$7 77	
Oberlin, First, by L. W. Upton.....	78 50		Almont.....	5 00	
Second, by J. B. Clarke.....	89 98		Ann Arbor.....	17 51	
Mrs. L. G. B. Hills, \$5; Mrs. E. B.			Bangor.....	2 30	
Clark, \$5.....	10 00		Bancroft.....	3 00	
Salem, David A. Allen, toward a L.Mp.	25 00		Batavia, Ladies.....	2 00	
Windham, by A. S. Higley.....	24 33		Breckenridge.....	3 50	
			Bridgeport.....	4 45	
INDIANA.—\$269.89.			Bronson.....	10 00	
Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis:			Charlotte.....	25 00	
Beechwoods.....	\$3 25		Charlevoix.....	2 44	
Central.....	1 50		Chelsea.....	2 30	
Hosmer Ch., Glezen, by W. G.			Coloma.....	5 00	
Law.....	4 50		Copemish.....	18	
Michigan City, First.....	55 48		Covert.....	5 70	
Orland, First, add'l.....	63 00		Detroit, Mt. Hope, Y. P. S. C.		
		127 73	E., special.....	7 50	
Received by Rev. J. Hayes:			Douglas.....	6 25	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D.			Dundee.....	5 00	
T. Brown, Treas.:			East Saginaw.....	3 71	
Hebron.....	\$9 25		Primary Dep't of S. S. of		
Indianapolis, Plymouth.....	25 00		First, contents of Birthday-		
Michigan City.....	12 00		box, special.....	7 50	
		46 25	East Tawas.....	7 78	
Angola and Fremont, by Rev. C. A.			Filer City.....	3 00	
Gleason.....	15 00		Galesburg, \$15; A Friend, \$1.....	16 00	
Elkhart, Ch., \$29.50; W. H. Quaife, \$5;			Gaylord.....	5 00	
H. F. Smith, \$5; D. F. Coe, \$6, by			Gilmore.....	1 95	
Rev. F. E. Knopf.....	45 50		Grand Blanc.....	19 50	
Ft. Wayne, by Rev. J. S. Ainslie.....	23 00		Grand Rapids, First.....	40 00	
Jamestown, by Rev. A. A. Luce.....	4 28		Second.....	11 50	
Liber, by Rev. J. R. Mason.....	8 13		South.....	10 00	
Michigan City, \$2. [Erroneously ac-			Smith Memorial.....	5 00	
knowledgeed under Michigan in April			Grass Lake.....	5 80	
number.]			Greenville.....	8 55	
			Hart.....	5 00	
ILLINOIS.—\$6.00.			Homestead, Ladies.....	1 25	
Alton, W. H. M. Soc., by Mrs. R. A.			Ironton.....	5 00	
Haight, toward L. Mp. of "California			Jackson.....	100 00	
Boy".....	2 00		Kendall.....	7 00	
Galesburg, Anna A. Wiberg.....	1 00		Lake Linden.....	40 06	
Jacksonville, Mrs. George Carter.....	3 00		Lansing.....	5 00	
			Sys. Ben. Soc.....	35 75	
MISSOURI.—\$184.15.			Leonidas.....	5 00	
Received by Rev. G. Marsh:			Linden.....	4 00	
Honey Creek.....	\$9 00		Litchfield, L. M. S.....	14 00	
Rev. G. Marsh.....	2 50		Lowell.....	12 00	
Mrs. G. Marsh.....	3 50		Manistee.....	50 00	
New Cambria.....	3 50		Maple Rapids, special.....	6 25	
Verdella.....	10 00		Mattawan.....	16 73	
		28 50	Mendon, L. A. S.....	3 00	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. H. Cook,			Merrill.....	1 57	
Treas.:			Middleville.....	5 00	
Special.....	83 00		Napoleon.....	5 00	
St. Louis, Third, by H. Tevis.....	67 65		North Adams.....	9 50	
Swedish Ch., by Rev. S. Arnquist.....	5 00		Olivet, L. B. S.....	14 50	
			Onekama, Mite-boxes.....	4 00	
MICHIGAN.—\$812.93.			Owasso, special.....	9 00	
Received by Rev. L. Warren:			Pleasanton, Ladies.....	2 00	
Detroit, Woodward Ave. Ch., \$198 75			Pontiac.....	10 00	
Plymouth.....	14 30		Rochester, Mrs. H. F. Jones.....	5 00	
Douglas.....	4 60		Saint Joseph.....	12 00	
			Salem, First Ch.....	5 00	
			Somerset.....	20 00	
			Stockbridge, Mrs. E. W. Wood-		
			ward, for a special blessing..	10 00	

Tawas City.....	\$10 00
Traverse City.....	10 00
Union City.....	8 94
Vicksburg.....	20 00
Victor.....	5 00
Wacousta.....	2 50
Wayne.....	12 00
Webster.....	5 00
Worden, Mrs. Anna Waldron Thompson, special.....	10 00
Ypsilanti.....	1 00

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Young People's North Star Mission:	
Algaunce, S. S.....	\$1 24
Almira, Mission Band.....	3 53
Benton Harbor, Y. P. S. C. E., \$5; special, \$2.75.....	7 75
Bethel, Donald Heber McKin- ney, 30c.; Daniel Herbert Mc- Kinney, 30c.....	60
Bronson, Mission Band.....	10 00
Clinton, Ch. and S. S., for freight.....	5 00
Cooper, Y. L. M. S.....	20 00
Covert, S. S., \$3.30; two S. S. teachers, \$4; Children's Mite- boxes 30c.....	10 60
Detroit, First Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., \$9.50; Sunbeam Band and Opportunity Club, \$25; Trum- bull Ave. Ch., Y. L. M. C., \$5.50.....	40 00
Dexter, W. H. M. U.....	5 00
East Gilead, S. S.....	1 30
Gaylor, S. S.....	4 40
Hart, S. S.....	10 00
Hatmaker, S. S.....	1 50
Hersey, W. H. M. U. and S. S.....	5 00
Imlay City, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 30
Kinderhook, S. S.....	2 95
Litchfield, Y. P. S. C. E., \$1.36; for freight, \$3.60.....	4 96
Busy Workers.....	3 17
Lowell, Y. P. S. C. E.....	4 70
Maybee, Willing Workers.....	2 00
Memphis, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 00
Napoleon, S. S., of which \$17 is the result of nickel invest- ments.....	18 16
Owasso, Y. P. M. S.....	15 00
St. Johns, S. S.....	5 08
St. Joseph, S. S., \$3; Y. P. S. C. E., \$3.....	6 00
Somerset, S. S., for freight.....	2 80
Tawas City, W. H. M. U.....	5 00
Ypsilanti, Y. L. M. S.....	15 00

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Easter offerings:

Almira, S. S.....	\$1 42
Almont, S. S., \$6; A Friend, \$1.....	7 00
Bancroft, S. S.....	6 21
Bangor, S. S.....	4 25
Bethel, S. S.....	63
Big Rapids, S. S.....	3 80
Breckenridge, S. S., \$1; N. S. B., \$1.36.....	2 36
Bridgman, S. S.....	1 80
Carsonville, S. S.....	1 25
Chase, S. S.....	4 24
Cheboygan, S. S.....	1 79
Douglas, S. S.....	5 00
East Paris, S. S.....	1 02
Flint, Y. P. M. S.....	21 59
Grand Junction, S. S.....	2 88
Greenville, S. S., \$6; Infant de- partment, 36c.....	6 36
Kalamo, S. S.....	2 65
Kinderhook, S. S.....	76
Leonidas, S. S.....	1 75
Linden, S. S.....	1 29
Maybee, S. S.....	3 26

Merrill, S. S.....	\$3 25
Michigan Center, S. S.....	2 75
Napoleon, S. S.....	1 84
North Leone, S. S.....	2 00
Olivet, S. S.....	25 00
Orion, S. S.....	1 26
Oxford, Girls' North Star Miss. Band.....	5 00
Pierport, S. S.....	1 08
St. Ignace, S. S.....	1 50
Saugatuck, S. S.....	3 42
Somerset, S. S.....	1 58
Three Oaks, S. S.....	7 02
Wayland, S. S.....	1 36
Webster, S. S. Mission Band.....	6 00
Wheeler, S. S.....	60
Ypsilanti, S. S.....	7 73

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Less \$1,122.79 ack. in bulk in May number.....	12 18
Bridgeport, \$14.11; W. H. M. Soc., \$4.80; Blackman, \$1.49, by Rev. J. Nicol....	20 40
Briley and Vienna, by Rev. R. Houston	3 00
Carmel, Ladies' Aid Soc., by Rev. R. H. Watson.....	12 00
Carson City, by Rev. D. M. Kirkpatrick	25 30
Cedar Springs, \$5; East Nelson, \$23.20; Sand Lake, 31c., by Rev. C. D. Banis- ter.....	38 51
Clare and Dover, by Rev. F. C. Field...	14 50
Copemish, by Rev. E. I. Grinnell.....	5 00
Custer and Tallman, by Rev. P. M. Crips.....	5 00
Highland, by Rev. F. Blomfield.....	9 50
Maybee and Raisinville, by Rev. L. T. Frink.....	9 48
Onkama, by Rev. W. R. Yonker.....	2 45
Potterville and Millet, by Rev. J. Hy- slop.....	11 26
Rockford, by Rev. C. Finster.....	2 50
Standish, by Rev. W. H. Yarrow.....	2 50
Union City, by J. P. Knodell.....	10 23
Vanderbilt and Berryville, by Rev. G. D. Strickland.....	6 00
White Cloud, by Rev. D. Truman.....	31 50

WISCONSIN—\$1.50.

Clear Lake, by Rev. M. Peterson.....	1 50
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IOWA—\$18.45.

Cherokee, Mrs. S. P. Dickey.....	1 00
Dubuque, A tithe.....	10 00
Long Creek, Welsh Ch., by W. Anwyl.	2 45
Wentworth, Friends.....	5 00

MINNESOTA—\$157.81.

Received by Rev. J. Earl:

Ash Creek.....	\$25 50	
Ellsworth.....	11 40	
Staples.....	6 97	
Sterling Center.....	11 01	
Tenney.....	10 60	
Tracy and Custer.....	35 00	
A Friend.....	6 00	
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Barnesville, by Rev. E. P. Hughes....	25 00	
Faribault, A Friend.....	10 00	
Hancock and Lake Emily, by Rev. C. H. Routhiffe.....	2 03	
Marshall Co., by Rev. P. M. Samuelson	1 04	
Minnesota, A Thank-offering.....	5 00	
Springfield and Lamberton, by Rev. R. L. D. Preston.....	1 50	
Stephen, by Rev. S. H. Barteau.....	6 26	
Tyler, Mrs. J. L. Martin, for an Indian Photograph.....	50	

KANSAS—\$4,088.59; of which Legacy,
\$4,062.67.
Received by Rev. J. G. Dougherty,
Treas.:
Leavenworth, Legacy of Mrs. Cutts..\$4,062 67

Longton, \$6.65; Kirwin, \$10, by Rev. L.
R. Vernon..... 16 65
Netawaka, by Rev. D. H. Platt..... 4 42
Vienna, by C. Mumaw..... 4 85

NEBRASKA—\$128.76.

Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. C. S.
Billings..... 50 29
Beatrice, Mrs. D. B. Hotchkiss..... 10 00
Bertrand, by Rev. U. C. Bosworth..... 8 00
Culbertson, by Rev. A. Hodel..... 1 00
Dodge and Howells, by Rev. S. Pearson
Domphan and West Hamilton, by Rev.
J. H. Embree..... 10 00
Grant and Venango, by Rev. W. S.
Hampton..... 4 30
Lincoln, by Rev. J. Lich..... 10 00
Princeton, German Ch., \$3; Olive
Branch, German Ch., \$3.52, by Rev.
J. Morach..... 6 52
Steele City, by Rev. E. Durrant..... 3 50
Sutton, by Rev. M. Treiber..... 8 00
Wilcox, Moline, and Freewater, by
Rev. C. H. Huestis..... 10 00

[ERRATUM: Omaha, First, \$167.07. Er-
roneously ack'd under W. H. M. U.
in May *Home Missionary*.]

NORTH DAKOTA—\$37.20.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M.
Fisher, Treas.:
Cando..... 2 42

[ERRATUM: \$6.90 from Caledonia, ack'd
in May *Home Missionary*, should have
been credited to W. H. M. U. Mrs.
M. M. Fisher, Treas.]

Ft. Abercrombie and Dexter, by Rev.
W. Edwards..... 2 14
Hope, by Rev. M. L. Stimson..... 22 50
Jamestown, by Rev. J. D. Whitelow... 8 00
Sykeston, Ontario, and Oberon, by Rev.
W. Griffith..... 2 14

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$116.93.

Received by Rev. H. D. Wiard:
Rev. James Cross..... \$6 00
Mrs. H. H. Cobb..... 10 00

Ashton, Athol, La Perine, and Clyde,
by Rev. L. Belknap..... 6 25
Badger, by Rev. G. W. Crater..... 17 60
Bowdle and Theodore, by Rev. A. H.
Robbins..... 10 05
Columbia, \$10; Huron, \$30; Aberdeen,
Rev. S. G. Updyke, \$10, by Rev. W.
G. Dickinson..... 50 00
Gettysburg and Appomattox, by Rev.
A. Metcalf..... 1 74
Henry, by Rev. F. M. Dickey..... 25
Iroquois and Osceola, by Rev. A. J.
Drake..... 5 00
La Grange, by Rev. D. B. Nichols..... 4 48
Meckling, by Rev. W. A. Lyman..... 2 16
Springfield, by Rev. C. Seecombe..... 3 40

COLORADO—\$3.00.

Friend, by Rev. D. H. Minick..... 3 00

WYOMING—\$4.00.

Big Horn, by Rev. S. J. Jennings..... \$4 00

MONTANA—\$52.00.

Helena, First, by T. E. Goodwin..... 52 00

IDAHO—\$8.50.

Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. G. W.
Rose..... 8 50

CALIFORNIA—\$2,148.34; of which Leg-
acy, \$2,000.00.

Received by Rev. J. H. Warren:
Fresno..... 25 00

Received by Rev. J. T. Ford:
Chula Vista..... \$1 80
Ventura..... 42 00

Adin, by Rev. E. Hoskins..... 5 00
Oakland, Legacy of Mrs. Cornelia Rich-
ards, by Seth Richards..... 2,600 00
Ocean View, by Rev. P. R. Adams..... 5 00
Oleander, by Rev. W. Gordon..... 27 00
Santa Barbara, bal. of coll., by C. P.
Low..... 28 04
Sierra Valley, by Rev. C. E. Philbrook.. 14 50

OREGON—\$7.10.

Condon, by Rev. E. D. Howells..... 2 10
Lexington, by Rev. E. R. Beach..... 5 00

WASHINGTON—\$393.11.

Received by Rev. R. A. Beard:
Seattle, Plymouth Ch., Everett Smith
and wife to const. themselves
L. Ms..... 100 00

Woman's Miss. Assoc., Mrs. W. R.
Abrams, Treas.:
Colfax, "Willing Workers"..... \$7 00
East Tacoma, Woman's Miss.
Soc..... 5 85
Tacoma, Woman's Aux..... 32 65
Young People's Miss. Soc.,
\$10, and \$15.40..... 25 40
Y. P. S. C. E..... 3 25

Colfax, by Rev. H. P. James..... 4 75
Farmington and Tekoa, by Rev. O. F.
Thayer..... 15 50
Fidalgo City, by Rev. H. J. Taylor..... 8 80
Kalama, by Rev. G. Baker..... 5 00
Port Angeles, by Rev. C. E. Chase..... 4 16
Seattle, by Rev. G. H. Lee..... 41 80
Rev. R. A. Beard, to const. himself
and wife L. Ms..... 100 00
Skokomish, by Rev. R. A. Beard..... 10 00
Stellacoom and Lakeview, by Rev. L.
W. Brintnall..... 21 45
Uniontown, by Rev. E. L. Smith..... 7 50

HOME MISSIONARY..... 77 80

\$30,965 53

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Bridgewater, N. Y., Ladies' H. M. Soc.,
by Mrs. D. S. Wood, box..... 19 50
Bristol, R. L., First Ch., by Annie W.
Fitch, box and freight..... 130 75
Brooklyn, N. Y., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of
South Ch., by Mrs. F. L. Pomeroy, box 75 00

Ladies' Benev. Soc., Tompkins Avenue Ch., by Mrs. J. A. Irwin, two barrels and package.....	\$200 00
Cleveland, O., Mrs. A. J. Smith, package.	
Greenwich, O., Woman's M. Soc., two barrels.....	106 07
Hartford, Ct., box.	
New Haven, Ct., Ladies' Home Miss. Soc. of Center Ch., by Mary E. Bennett, four boxes.....	719 05
Ladies' Soc. of College Street Ch., by Miss M. J. Botsworth, box.....	130 00
Rev. Samuel W. Barnum, five copies "Romanism as It Is."	
New York City, Mrs. Theodore Frelinghuysen, box.	
Rev. G. H. Hepworth, box of books.	
Oberlin, O., Ladies' Aid Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. F. D. Wilder, three barrels and freight.....	104 45
San Francisco, Cal., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. L. Thompson, five boxes and parcels.....	520 00
Young Ladies' Miss. Soc. and Ladies' Aid Soc.....	1,001 76
Washington, D. C., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mary H. Copp, package and freight.....	70 00
Waterbury, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Second Ch., by Mrs. E. A. Bradley, barrel and freight.....	129 46

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from February 20 to March 20, 1891.
T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Arlington, East.....	\$10 00
Barnet, Alexander Holmes, Annual Contribution.....	20 00
Bridgewater, add'l.....	4 03
Burlington, First, Two Friends.....	40 00
Chelsea, for A. H. M. S.....	53 01
Chester.....	15 05
Cornwall, for A. H. M. S.....	62 70
A Friend.....	1 00
Craftsbury, North.....	10 00
Danville.....	13 15
Derby.....	5 00
Dorset, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 50
Eden, for Lady Evangelists.....	8 12
Enosburgh, Memorial Ch.....	10 00
Franklin.....	11 00
Georgia.....	13 00
Hartland.....	63 32
S. S., Penny Collection, Three Classes.....	7 67
Holland.....	10 00
Hyde Park, North, for Lady Evangelists.....	23 83
Lowell, special.....	30 00
Marlboro, to const. Dea. E. P. Adams a L. M.....	20 75
Montpelier, Bethany Ch.....	70 00
Newbury, West.....	2 00
Newport, Sunday-schools.....	20 00
Pawlet, West.....	5 00
Plainfield.....	8 00
Plymouth Notch, add'l.....	1 00
Putney, Mrs. A. S. Taft, for Debt of A. H. M. S., to const. Mrs. Julia Crawford a L. M.....	50 00
Randolph, West.....	13 77
Hannah Wood Fund.....	33 39
Sheldon.....	1 00
St. Johnsbury, North Ch.....	25 00
East, A Friend.....	5 00
Waitsfield, A. H. M. S.....	12 70
Westminster.....	15 32
Williamstown.....	12 00
S. S.....	4 11

Wolcott.....	\$5 54
Woodstock, for A. H. M. S.....	60 79
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	9 90
Woman's H. M. U., Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Danville, W. H. M. S.....	\$10 16
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., W. H. M. S.....	26 17
Y. L. M. S.....	10 00
Woodstock, W. H. M. S.....	37 50
Newbury, Mrs. H. C. Bailey.....	5 00
	98 83
	\$879 90

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from March 20 to April 20, 1891.
T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Alburgh Springs.....	\$26 00
Barnet.....	75 00
Barton Landing and Brownington.....	23 00
Special.....	40 00
Bradford.....	22 30
Brattleboro, West.....	40 32
W. S. Stockwell, for Lady Evangelists.....	5 00
Bridgewater.....	5 00
Burlington, W. J. Van Patten.....	25 00
Cambridge, Mr. and Mrs. Madison Safford.....	15 00
Chicopee, Mass., W. H. Richardson, to const. himself a L. M.....	50 00
Corinth.....	2 00
Derby Line, special.....	40 00
Fairlee, Mrs. A. H. Fuller.....	1 00
Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 00
Hyde Park, North, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 40
Johnson, special, for Lady Evangelists.....	22 00
Marlboro, Y. P. S. C. E., for Lady Evangelists.....	2 00
McIndoe's Falls.....	5 28
Middletown Springs, D. Leffingwell.....	1 00
Newbury, add'l.....	1 60
Newport.....	15 00
Northfield, Easter-offering.....	21 21
St. Johnsbury, North Ch., C. M. Stone's estate, by Sarah F. Stone, ex. South Ch.....	50 00
Rev. Henry Fairbanks.....	51 10
Victory, Dea. G. A. Appleton.....	500 00
Warren.....	20 00
Williston, A. M. Bliss.....	5 00
Worcester.....	2 00
Worcester.....	15 00
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	7 25
Interest.....	36 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:

Fairfax, Mrs. M. S. Forsyth....	\$1 00
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., Ladies' Soc., for Lady Evangelists.....	6 83
	7 83
	\$1,145 29

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in April. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treas.

Andover, West, by F. S. Boutwell.....	\$25 00
Arlington, Orth., by Charles K. Crane.....	96 42
Ashfield, by Mrs. Daniel Williams, to const. Miss Hattie Bassett a L. M.....	43 77
Ayer, First, by Clara E. Blood, Taft Recognition.....	13 00

W. H. M. A., Room 32 Cong'l House, Boston, Miss Nathalie Lord, Sec.; and all Mass. applications for the names of families needing aid, and all reports of supplies sent, should hereafter be made to Miss Lord.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in April, 1891. W. W. JACOBS, Treas.

Andover, by Rev. E. W. Merritt.....	\$6 00
Canton, Collinsville, First, for A. H. M. S., by J. S. Heath.....	100 00
Cornwall, Second, by E. D. Pratt, together with previous contribution of \$10, to const. Luman Chester Wickwire of West Cornwall a L. M.....	45 05
Derby, by L. Hubbell.....	16 80
East Granby, by James R. Viets.....	5 50
Fairfield, Greenfield, for A. H. M. S., by Oliver H. Meeker.....	9 70
Glastonbury, First, by E. H. Andrews, add'l.....	25 00
Guilford, First, by E. W. Leete.....	22 00
Lisbon, for A. H. M. S., by Rev. Q. M. Bosworth.....	14 00
Litchfield, Northfield, by H. C. Peck.....	6 45
Lyme, Grassy Hill, by J. S. Hall.....	28 85
Manchester, South, A. Friend.....	5 00
Naugatuck, by Miss Ellen Spencer.....	52 00
New London, First, by H. C. Learned.....	37 04
Plainfield, Wauregan, by Rev. S. H. Fellows.....	50 00
Somers, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. C. Chapman	13 04
Stafford, West, by Rev. Chas. L. Ayer...	5 00
Torrington, Torrington, by C. H. Barker	5 00
Westbrook, by T. D. Post.....	30 34
Winchester, West Winsted, by John Hinsdale, add'l.....	39 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:	
By Miss Ellen R. Camp, Sec., from Asylum Hill Cong. Ch., Hartford, by Mrs. Wm. H. Moore.....	5 00
	\$550 77

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in March, 1891. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Abingdon.....	\$61 00
Albany.....	11 00
Albion, Friends.....	50 00
Bethel Ch.....	6 92
Amboy.....	126 00
Anna, First.....	16 00
Aurora, First Ch.....	89 34
New England Ch.....	31 03
Bartlett.....	11 00
Beardstown, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 22
Bloomington, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 20
Cable.....	8 00
Canton.....	46 00
Carpentersville.....	5 35
Centralia.....	7 00
Chicago, First, of which Edward P. Rice, \$10.....	188 63
South Ch, W. H. M. U.....	17 00
South Park.....	13 00
Englewood, Pilgrim.....	70 46
North Ch.....	38 00
Lake View Ch., of which Rev. J. M. Williams, \$10.....	18 34
Forestville, Mrs. M. M. Wilson.....	6 00

Bethlehem.....	\$14 50
Trinity.....	2 00
Auburn Park.....	21 10
Creston.....	20 95
Crystal Lake.....	24 00
Danway.....	3 66
Decatur.....	50 00
De Kalb.....	46 00
De Pue.....	15 00
Elgin, Prospect St.....	12 00
Elmwood.....	23 20
Evanston.....	20 00
Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Wright, savings of deceased daughter.....	1 00
Galesburg, First Ch. of Christ.....	\$25 67
S. S.....	65 13
J. S. Chambers.....	20 00
H. W. Read.....	10 00
Galva.....	110 80
Geneseo, of which Y. P. S. C. E., \$10.....	43 25
Godfrey.....	45 00
Granville.....	118 00
Grayville, Olive Ch.....	10 86
Gridley.....	50 00
Hamilton.....	1 00
Highland.....	10 50
Hinsdale.....	12 80
Jacksonville.....	125 41
Kewanee.....	102 69
Knoxville, H. Rowles.....	10 00
La Salle, of which Y. P. S. C. E., \$10.....	36 50
Loda.....	15 29
Maywood.....	72 10
Melville.....	7 00
Melvin.....	10 00
Mendon.....	22 20
Moline.....	229 25
Morton.....	20 00
Neposet.....	8 55
Nora.....	67 09
Normal.....	14 85
Oak Park, of which S. S., \$100.....	772 57
Odell.....	56 00
Olney, Mrs. George Hollister.....	10 00
Oneida, of which S. S., \$2.26.....	35 00
Peoria, First.....	93 40
Plymouth.....	41 41
Poplar Grove.....	13 09
Port Byron.....	28 60
Princeton, of which Mrs. J. Delano, \$5.....	90 00
Rantoul.....	14 86
Riley.....	73 08
Roberts.....	21 20
Rockford, First, S. S.....	13 06
Second, S. S., \$23; Sunshine Mission Band, for Bohemian work in Chicago, \$20.....	43 00
Rockton, add'l.....	50
Estate Dr. John Carpenter.....	10 00
Roodhouse.....	24 00
Roscoe.....	15 89
Rutland, Rev. L. Taylor.....	2 00
Somonauck.....	34 75
Springfield, Second, of which Rev. John Gibson, \$5.....	16 20
Stark.....	18 54
Sterling, S. S., Birthday-offerings.....	26 16
Sycamore, of which J. H. Rogers, \$25.....	184 53
Tonica, Y. P. S. C. E.....	4 05
Toulon.....	53 25
Turner, of which Mrs. C. H. Davis, \$5.....	50 50
Udina.....	4 00
Wataga.....	19 00
Waverly, \$58.14; Y. P. S. C. E., \$5.27; S. S., \$11.75.....	75 16
Western Springs, S. S.....	3 50
Winnebago, S. S.....	10 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Treas.....	\$200 60
Chicago, Lincoln Park Ch.....	13 50
Covenant Ch., Young Ladies' Soc.....	25 00

Galva.....	\$12 95
Hamilton.....	2 00
Morris.....	1 20
Oak Park.....	14 50
Pavson.....	16 25
Pittsfield, A memorial.....	12 00
Rockford, First.....	15 00
Second.....	30 80
Stillman Valley.....	20 00
Toulon.....	25 02
Wooster, Ohio, Miss De Voe and Mother.....	5 00
Southern Association.....	10 75
	<hr/> \$403 97
Pomona, Tennessee.....	2 00
Thomasboro, "R.".....	3 00
A Friend.....	7 00
Danville, Mrs. A. M. Swan.....	5 00
Mrs. Wm. E. Chandler.....	5 00
Belding, Michigan, J. W. Bushnell.....	6 00
A Friend.....	54 08
	<hr/> \$4,795 15

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in March, 1891. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Alden.....	\$30 70
Atlantic.....	7 00
Basset.....	4 40
Belle Plaine.....	34 95
Bellevue.....	11 00
Belmond.....	10 50
Thank-offering.....	68 70
Bethel.....	1 50
Cass.....	1 00
Center.....	6 00
Chickasaw.....	45
Clarion.....	11 19
College Springs.....	21 00
Denmark.....	30 00
Doon.....	5 18
Eddyville.....	12 02
Elliot.....	13 75
Emmetsburg.....	2 28
Everly.....	96
Gem Point.....	6 93
Genoa Bluff.....	3 97
Gilbert Station.....	50 00
Glenwood.....	12 50
Gomer.....	10 00
Gowrie.....	9 06
Grinnell.....	3 00
Harlan.....	101 00
Ionia.....	7 12
Larchwood.....	8 23
Lawler.....	12 50
Le Mars.....	140 55
Lyons.....	43 80
Monticello.....	46 86
Nora Springs.....	20 83
Ocheyedan.....	4 60
Ogden.....	15 00
Orient.....	13 05
Osage.....	48 50
Ottuma, First.....	212 57
Percival.....	10 00
Pilgrim.....	13 50
Polk City.....	9 35
Granger Lit. Soc.....	5 15
Red Oak.....	81 42
Sergeant Bluff.....	14 00
Shenandoah.....	48 45
Silver Creek.....	11 55
Sioux City, First.....	174 15
South Grant, Thank-offering.....	7 80
Stacyville.....	7 53
Stuart.....	70 00
Traer.....	71 35
Warren.....	6 15

Waucoma.....	\$12 50
Waverly.....	4 85
Wentworth.....	5 00
Wilton.....	35 00
Winthrop.....	29 16

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	
Alden.....	5 00
Atlantic.....	11 52
Chester Center.....	7 06
Des Moines, North Park, Easter-offering.....	10 76
Emmetsburg, First.....	15 29
Humboldt.....	7 08
Keokuk.....	3 76
Monticello.....	16 00
Osage.....	20 00
Red Oak.....	9 71
Sergeant Bluff, Easter-offering.....	3 50
Shenandoah.....	15 55
Storm Lake.....	2 30
Traer.....	5 00

Y. P. S. C. E.	
Alden.....	3 05
Belle Plaine.....	1 90
Juvenile.....	1 00
Harlan, Junior.....	3 30
Mason City.....	10 04
Monticello.....	5 00
Red Oak.....	8 87
Traer.....	6 30
Boone, Rev. B. C. Tillitt.....	22 50
Cherokee, Rev. D. E. Skinner.....	3 00
Davenport, Edwards, A Friend.....	1 00
Eldora, E. H. Marshall.....	4 40
Fairfield, J. W. Burnett.....	20 00
Gomer, Rev. D. E. Evans.....	5 00
Grinnell, Rev. T. O. Douglass.....	10 00
Ionia, Rev. N. L. Packard.....	5 00
Lansing, S. H. Hazleton.....	5 00
Ogden, Rev. D. D. Tibbetts.....	10 00
Postville, Rev. N. L. Burton.....	7 50
Victor, M. Bigler.....	5 00
A. T. Patrick.....	50
Miss M. Hunt.....	50
Wilton, C. W. Norton.....	5 00
"A Business Man".....	100 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J. Nicholas, Treas.:	
Alden, L. M. S.....	\$1 08
Anamosa, W. M. S.....	18 80
Colfax.....	5 00
Des Moines, North Park.....	11 00
Plymouth.....	10 05
Pilgrim.....	11 00
Dubuque, S. S.....	5 35
L. M. S., Easter-offering.....	60 00
Eldora, S. S.....	3 75
Franklin, L. M. S.....	5 00
Genoa Bluff.....	3 65
Hull, W. M. S.....	10 00
Keosauqua, L. H. and F. M. S.....	30 00
Manchester.....	18 50
Midland.....	5 00
Shenandoah, W. M. S.....	1 44
S. M. D.....	1 00
Traer.....	69 20
	<hr/> 241 82
	<hr/> \$2,277 72

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$36,374 54
Connecticut, Fair Haven, \$16; Hartford, \$85; Middletown, \$25; Newington, \$1.50.....	127 50
District of Columbia, Washington.....	25 00
New York, Albany, \$3.75; Brooklyn, \$100.....	103 75
	<hr/> \$36,630 79

TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS

OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1891, TO MAY 1, 1891.

	A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*		A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*
New Hampshire.....	\$5 00		Indiana.....	\$46 25	
Minnesota.....			Southern California.....		
Massachusetts.....			Vermont.....	7 53	
Rhode Island.....			Colorado.....		
Maine.....			Wyoming.....		
Michigan.....	296 85		Georgia.....		
Kansas.....			Alabama.....		
Ohio.....	42 50		Mississippi.....		
New York.....	293 11		Louisiana.....	1 00	
Wisconsin.....			Tennessee.....		
North Dakota.....	2 42		Arkansas.....		
Oregon.....			North Carolina.....		
Washington.....			Texas.....		
Idaho.....	74 15		Montana.....		
South Dakota.....			Pennsylvania.....	58 50	
Connecticut.....	172 50		Oklahoma.....		
Missouri.....	83 00		New Jersey.....		
Illinois.....			Dist. Columbia.....		
Iowa.....			Maryland.....		
California.....			Virginia.....		
Nebraska.....	17 38		Utah.....		
Florida.....	175 00				
				Total.....	\$1,275 49

* This column is to show amounts, as reported to the Woman's Dept., contributed by W. H. M. auxiliaries in struggling churches to help pay the pastor's salary, but not credited to any organization.

Woman's State H. M. Organizations.

OFFICERS.

1.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION,

Organized August, 1804.

AND

HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.

Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.

Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2.

MINNESOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized September, 1872.

President, Miss Katherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.

Secretary, Miss Catherine T. Plant, 2651 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis.

Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.*

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,

Organized February, 1880.

President, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.

Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

4.

MAINE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,

Organized June, 1880.

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.

Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 163 Hammond St., Bangor.

Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St., Bangor.

5.

MICHIGAN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1881.

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexander Ave., Detroit.

Secretary, Mrs. Leroy Warren, Olivet.

Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

6.

KANSAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

Organized October, 1881.

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.

Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

7.

OHIO.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1882.

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St., Cleveland.

Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.

Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

8.

NEW YORK.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave., Brooklyn.

Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spaulding, 511 Orange St., Syracuse.

Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, 59 Bible House, New York City.

9.

WISCONSIN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION-
Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 540 State St., Madison.

Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Jackson, 117 Washington St., Janesville.

Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

10.

NORTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized November, 1883.

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.

Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

11.

OREGON.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
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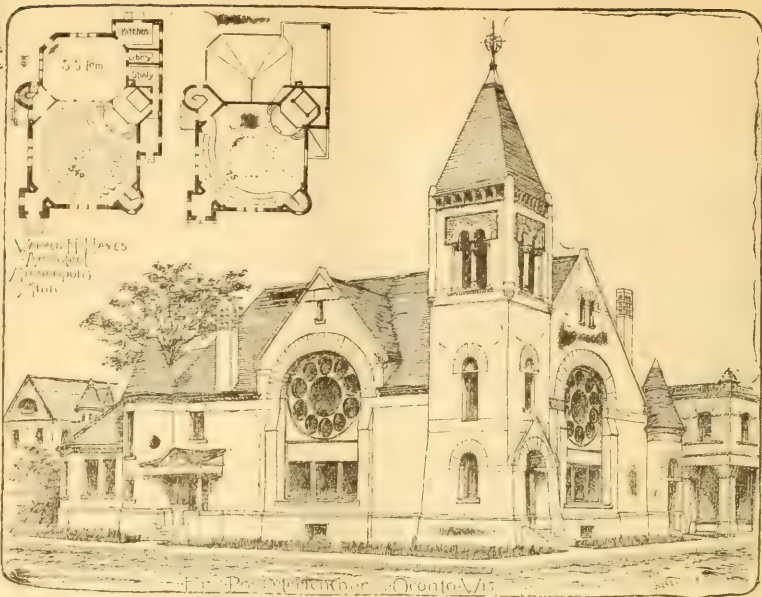
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MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

American Home Missionary Society.

THE American Home Missionary Society convened for its sixty-fifth annual meeting, in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., at 7:45 P.M., Tuesday, June 2, 1891, with Hon. NELSON DINGLEY, Jr., of Maine, one of the Vice-Presidents, as its presiding officer. The hymn "Come, Thou Almighty King" was sung, and Rev. HENRY L. HUBBELL, D.D., of Louisiana, read the Scriptures and offered prayer. Rev. WOLCOTT CALKINS, D.D., of Massachusetts, preached the annual sermon, from I Tim. 6: 17-19, Revised Version, on the Responsibilities of Christian Business Men. After the anniversary hymn, "Our Country's voice is pleading," and the benediction by Rev. EDWIN B. WEBB, D.D., of Massachusetts, the body adjourned till 8:30 A.M., Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, June 3.—At 8:30 the Society spent half an hour in devotion, led by Rev. EDWIN B. WEBB, D.D., of Massachusetts.

At 9 the President took the chair, Rev. EDWARD P. INGERSOLL, D.D., of New York, offered prayer, and the hymn "All hail the power of Jesus' name" was sung.

Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE, of Connecticut, was appointed Assistant Recording Secretary.

The President appointed the following committees :

On the Roll.—Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE, of Connecticut; Rev. WILLIAM H. HOLMAN, of Connecticut.

On Local Arrangements.—Rev. CLARENCE F. SWIFT, HENRY WILCOX, FRANKLIN B. BATES.

On Nominations.—Rev. WILLIAM T. STOKES, of New York; Rev. RUFUS P. HIBBARD, of Massachusetts; F. YARD, of New York.

On the Report of the Executive Committee.—Rev. EDWARD P. INGERSOLL, D.D., of New York; Rev. SAMUEL H. LEE, of Massachusetts; Hon. E. B. GILLET, of Massachusetts; Rev. FRANK N. DEXTER, of Indiana; DAVID N. CAMP, of Connecticut.

On the Paper of Secretary Clark.—Rev. JAMES B. GREGG, of Colorado; Rev. GEORGE A. TEWKSBURY, of Washington; Rev. CHARLES H. WASHBURN, of Massachusetts; GEORGE GOULD, of Massachusetts; THOMAS TODD, of Massachusetts.

On the Paper of Secretary Kincaid.—Rev. GEORGE C. ADAMS, D.D., of Missouri; Rev. JAMES MCLEOD, D.D., of New York; Rev. SAMUEL JOHNSON, of New York; EDMUND HOBART, of Massachusetts; JOHN M. STEARNS, of New York.

The President made an opening address.

After singing "The morning light is breaking," SECRETARY KINCAID read a paper entitled "A Year of Growth," which was referred.

After singing "Stand up, stand up for Jesus," SECRETARY CLARK read a paper entitled "The Closing Decade," which was referred.

After singing, addresses were made by Secretaries of State Auxiliaries as follows: Rev. JOSHUA COIT, of Massachusetts Home Missionary Society; Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE, of Missionary Society of Connecticut; Rev. JOHN G. FRASER, D.D., of Ohio Home Missionary Society; Rev. TRUMAN O. DOUGLASS, of Iowa Home Missionary Society.

After the doxology, and the benediction by Rev. Truman O. Douglass, of Iowa, a recess was taken at 12:15 till 3 P.M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.—Met at 3, in the lecture-room of the church. Prayer was offered by Rev. ARCHIBALD McCULLAGH, D.D., of Massachusetts. The Minutes of Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning were approved.

The Committee on the Roll made a report, which was accepted, and the Committee were authorized to complete the Roll, which, when completed, was as follows:

ROLL.

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

OFFICERS.

Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., Maine.

DELEGATES FROM STATE SOCIETIES.

<i>Connecticut.</i>	Rev. John P. Hawley,	Mrs. Ralph Emerson,
Rev. Asher Anderson,	Horace P. Shares.	Rev. Moritz E. Eversz,
Rev. John De Pew,	<i>Illinois.</i>	Rev. J. Tompkins, D.D.,
Rev. Edwin K. Holden,	John T. Dale,	Rev. Henry Willard.

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 Rev. Edward C. Porter,
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 Rev. Clarence S. Sargent,
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Rev. Wm. E. Park, D.D.,	John C. Thompson.	M. L. Severance,
Isaac V. Place,	<i>South Dakota.</i>	Rev. D. S. Mackay,
Henry L. Pratt,	Rev. Hiram D. Wiard.	Miss Sophia E. Park,
William Henry Smith,	<i>Texas.</i>	Rev. Smith Norton,
Asa A. Spear,		Mrs. M. B. Norton.
John M. Stearns,	Rev. C. I. Scofield.	<i>Washington.</i>
Rev. Clarence F. Swift,	<i>Utah.</i>	Rev. G. A. Tewksbury.
Rev. S. H. Virgin, D.D.,	Rev. Winfield S. Hawkes.	<i>Wisconsin.</i>
Rev. Avery S. Walker,	<i>Vermont.</i>	
William Ives Washburn,		Rev. Thomas G. Grassie.
A. D. Wheelock.	Esther A. Ballou,	

The Report of the Executive Committee was presented and referred.

It was *voted* that the thanks of the Society be given to Rev. WOLCOTT CALKINS, D.D., for the very able and instructive sermon preached last evening, and that a copy be requested for publication.

It was *voted* that the minutes, the sermon, and the report of the Executive Committee, including the papers read by the Secretaries, be printed; and also other papers and addresses and reports, at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

The Committee on Nominations made a report, which was referred to said Committee, enlarged by adding Rev. ARTHUR LITTLE, D.D., of Massachusetts, and G. HENRY WHITCOMB, of Massachusetts.

The Committee on the report of the Executive Committee presented a report with resolutions. The report was accepted, and the preamble and resolutions were adopted as follows:

In view of 1,912 missionaries employed, seventy-three more than last year, and about twice the number in commission twelve years ago; in view of the 212 new churches organized and fifty-six churches brought to self-support, and of 171 houses of public worship completed; in view of 11,320 persons received into church membership, more than two-thirds of them upon profession of their faith; of 145 men in connection with the missionary churches reported as in different stages of preparation for the Gospel ministry; and finally in view of the increase of contributions from living donors of \$23,000;—

1. *Resolved*, That the annual report of the Executive Committee gives us increasing confidence in their ability and faithfulness, and that we congratulate the churches upon the results attained by them.

2. *Resolved*, That we recognize in the "Woman's Department" an auxiliary of steadily increasing zeal and efficiency; and that we also honor them, and most heartily and especially commend their work to the women of our churches, and urge their co-operation.

3. *Resolved*, That we respectfully suggest to the Executive Committee that there will be wisdom in setting apart a marked day of the year as a time when our Sunday-schools shall be rallied to the support of the home missionary work.

4. *Resolved*, That the \$100,000 beyond the contributions of last year for which the Executive Committee ask, is demanded both by the exigencies and encouragements of the work; and that we particularly suggest to the pastors the great importance of their urging upon the churches a large increase in their contributions.

It was *voted* that the Executive Committee hereafter, if practicable, present their annual report in print.

The Committee on Nominations reported nominations which were adopted unanimously by ballot as follows:

PRESIDENT.

REV. JULIUS H. SEELYE, D.D., LL.D.

VICE PRESIDENTS.

F. C. SESSIONS, Esq., of Ohio.

HON. JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, of Connecticut.

REV. JOHN K. McLEAN, D.D., of California.

REV. JAMES G. MERRILL, D.D., of Maine.

REV. WILLIAM A. WATERMAN, of Michigan.

HON. NELSON DINGLEY, Jr., of Maine.

REV. EDWIN B. WEBB, D.D., of Massachusetts.

REV. EDWARD P. GOODWIN, D.D., of Illinois.

AUSTIN ABBOTT, Esq., of New York.

REV. EDWARD D. EATON, of Wisconsin.

RECORDING SECRETARY.

REV. WILLIAM H. HOLMAN, of Connecticut.

AUDITOR.

GEORGE S. COE, Esq., of New York.

MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 1891-1894.

CHARLES H. PARSONS, of New York.

ALBERT WOODRUFF, of New York.

REV. JAMES G. ROBERTS, D.D., of New York.

ASA A. SPEAR, of New York.

REV. WASHINGTON CHOATE, of Connecticut.

The amendment of the Constitution proposed at the last annual meeting was taken up and laid on the table.

A new Constitution prepared and recommended by the Executive Committee was amended and adopted as follows:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This Society shall be called the American Home Missionary Society.

ARTICLE 2.—OBJECT.

The object of this Society shall be to assist congregations that are unable to support the Gospel ministry, and to send the Gospel and the means of Christian education to the destitute within the United States.

ARTICLE 3.—MEMBERSHIP.

The members of this Society shall be annual and life members. Any person chosen as President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Assistant Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, Auditor, or Member of the Executive Committee, shall also be an annual member during the term of his service.

(a) *Annual Members.*—Every Auxiliary and other State Home Missionary Society shall have the right to elect each year five persons who shall be known as Annual Members of this Society; and every Congregational church in the United States annually contributing to the treasury of this Society or to any of its Auxiliaries shall have the right to elect each year two persons who shall be known as Annual Members of this Society.

(b) *Life Members.*—Any person on whose behalf fifty dollars shall be paid into the treasury of this Society or into the treasury of any of its Auxiliaries at one time, accompanied by a request for life membership, shall be a life member. All present life members and life directors are continued as life members.

ARTICLE 4.—OFFICERS.

The Officers of this Society shall be a President, ten Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, an Auditor, one or more Secretaries for Correspondence, a Recording Secretary, and an Executive Committee of fifteen, of whom twelve shall be residents of New York City or vicinity. Neither the Treasurer nor the Secretaries for Correspondence shall be members of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 5.—ELECTIONS.

The President, Vice-Presidents, Auditor, and Recording Secretary shall be elected by ballot, annually, by the Society at the annual meeting. The Treasurer and as many Secretaries for Correspondence as shall be needed shall be elected annually by the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be arranged in three divisions of five each; one division shall be elected by ballot by the Society each year at the annual meeting, to serve for three years; vacancies existing in any other divisions may also be filled at each annual meeting.

ARTICLE 6.—VOTERS.

All Annual Members bringing proper credentials, and Life Members who shall be present and cause their names to be registered upon a roll to be made up at each annual or other meeting of this Society by the Recording Secretary, and no other persons, shall have the right to vote at the annual election, and in annual and other meetings of the Society, upon questions there arising.

ARTICLE 7.—PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENTS.

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society. In his absence one of the Vice-Presidents shall preside. In the absence of all of these, any member of the Society, duly chosen, may preside at any meeting of the Society.

ARTICLE 8.—TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall receive and have personal charge of all funds from collections, legacies, or other sources which are designed for the current expenses of the Society, and the custody of its trust funds, and shall keep them in such depositories as may be designated by the Executive Committee, and shall disburse the same as the Executive Committee shall direct. He shall give bonds annually for such amount as the Executive Committee shall determine, and shall conduct the correspondence and other business of his office under the general supervision of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 9.—AUDITOR.

It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine and certify the correctness of the Treasurer's accounts prior to each annual meeting.

ARTICLE 10.—SECRETARIES FOR CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretaries for Correspondence shall conduct all correspondence relating to the office; they shall make known by personal presentation, correspondence and otherwise, to State and local associations and conferences, to churches and individuals, the objects and claims of the Society, and shall have charge and direction of the work of the Society under the general supervision of the Executive Committee; they shall prepare the yearly report of the Executive Committee for the Annual Meeting of the Society and submit the same for adoption by the Committee, prior to said meeting.

ARTICLE 11.—RECORDING SECRETARY.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings and proceedings of the Society, and at each annual or other meeting of the Society shall make up a roll of persons entitled to vote at such a meeting, as provided in Article 6.

ARTICLE 12.—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings; form its own rules of business; fill any vacancies in its membership which may occur during the year, until the next annual meeting; convene special meetings of the Society; have general supervision of the work of the Society; appoint Missionaries and Superintendents, and instruct them as to the field and manner of their labors. It shall have entire control and management of all moneys, securities, and property of every description belonging to the Society; shall create such agencies as the interests of the Society shall require; shall elect Treasurers and Secretaries for correspondence as vacancies shall occur, and make an annual report of its proceedings to the Society. Four members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business at any meeting regularly convened, but at a meeting for the election of a Treasurer or Corresponding Secretary two-thirds of the Executive Committee must be present.

ARTICLE 13.—AUXILIARIES.

Any State Missionary Society may become auxiliary to this Society by paying into the Treasury of this Society its surplus funds and sending to the Secretaries for Correspondence a copy of its constitution and its annual reports, mentioning the names of its Missionaries and the fields of their operations.

ARTICLE 14.—MEETINGS.

This Society shall meet annually at such time and place as it shall appoint, or, on failure of such appointment, as the Executive Committee may with due notice direct.

ARTICLE 15.—AMENDMENTS.

No alteration shall be made in this Constitution without a vote of two thirds of the members present and voting at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed in writing at a previous annual meeting, or shall be recommended by the Executive Committee.

It was *voted* that the time and place of the next annual meeting be referred to the Executive Committee.

At 5:30 a recess was taken till 7:30.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.—Met at 7:30 in the church. After singing "Onward, Christian soldiers," and prayer by Rev. GEORGE A. TEWKSBURY, of Washington, Rev. HENRY A. SCHAUFFLER, D.D., of Ohio, spoke of the Bohemian and Slavic work, and Rev. WINFIELD S. HAWKES, of Utah, of the work in Utah and Idaho. After singing "Joy to the world," Rev. CYRUS I. SCOFIELD, of Texas, spoke of the work in Texas and Louisiana, and Rev. WILLIAM G. PUDDFOOT, of Massachusetts, spoke of the work in the Southwest.

After singing, and the benediction by Rev. LUTHER CLAPP, of Wisconsin, at 9:30 the body adjourned till 8:30 A.M., Thursday.

THURSDAY MORNING, June 4.—At 8:30 the Society spent half an hour in devotion, led by Rev. JOEL S. IVES, of Connecticut.

At 9 the president took the chair, and the claims of the American Congregational Union were presented by Rev. L. H. COBB, D.D., of New York, Secretary; Rev. CLARENDON M. SANDERS, of Colorado; Rev. JAMES T. FORD, of California, and Rev. CYRUS I. SCOFIELD, of TEXAS.

After singing, and prayer by Rev. S. SHERBERNE MATHEWS, of Massachusetts, the Committee on the Paper of Secretary Kincaid presented a report. After addresses, by Rev. GEORGE C. ADAMS, D.D., of Missouri; Rev. EDWARD P. INGERSOLL, D.D., of New York, and Rev. GUILLÉN LOPEZ, of New York, the report was accepted and adopted as follows:

1. The paper emphasizes anew the importance and value of home missionary work in growing cities; and makes it imperative that the true solution of the problem of city missions be sought, and the stamp of unity in that most trying work, under the fostering care of this Society, be put upon our churches in every city of the land.

2. In view of the lesson taught by the debt, by the increasing demands upon the Society for new work, and by the heroic economizing which has been found possible in the "area of depression," we suggest to the home missionary churches all over the country, that they carefully inquire whether they are not sometimes asking of this Society sums of which a portion, however small, could be raised by themselves.

3. Believing that, with the changing conditions of the home missionary problem which are rapidly moving the frontier from Minnesota to Massachusetts, and from the prairie settlements to the cities, there should be in every church such a presentation of this cause as will reach the hearts and pockets of all, and desiring with all our power to second the appeal for an increase of \$100,000 in contributions over last year, we urge upon all our pastors the study of those motives for giving which are of the highest moral importance, that they may more boldly and effectually present this cause to their churches.

The Committee on the Paper of Secretary Clark presented a report with resolutions. After singing "My Country, 'tis of Thee," and

addresses by Rev. JAMES B. GREGG, of Colorado ; Rev. GEORGE A. TEWKSBURY, of Washington ; Rev. SAMUEL H. LEE, of Massachusetts ; Rev. B. F. HAMILTON, of Massachusetts ; Rev. S. SHERBERNE MATHEWS, of Massachusetts ; Rev. ALBERT BRYANT, of Massachusetts ; Rev. WILLIAM E. PARK, D.D., of New York ; Rev. JOEL S. IVES, of Connecticut, and Rev. LUTHER CLAPP, of Wisconsin, the report was accepted and the resolutions were adopted as follows :

1. *Resolved*, That, gratefully recognizing the good hand of our God which has been upon this Society in the past, we invoke His guidance and help for the years to come that He may do for us exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think.

2. *Resolved*, That, believing that on the ministry the growth of the work chiefly depends, we urge upon the ministers of all our churches that, at least once in a year, after much study and thought and prayer, they preach out of a full heart fervently on the cause of Home Missions; and that also a long way ahead, they studiously plan to make each year's offering for the work larger than the last.

3. *Resolved*, That we urge the establishment in every church of a Woman's Society, that the already splendid record of the devotion of our sisters may be made yet more illustrious.

4. *Resolved*, That we urge that Societies of Christian Endeavor and Sunday-schools be systematically trained to bear their part in the evangelization of their native land ; and that such movements as the the Extra-Cent-a-Day-Band, Birthday Boxes, Home Missionary Sunday-school concerts, and a special day of offering be encouraged on every side.

5. *Resolved*, That all our people, young and old, rich and poor, be entreated to do with their might what their hands find to do along the lines which this Society provides, for their country, for humanity, and for God, and to abound more and more.

After singing, and the benediction by Rev. ARCHIBALD McCULLAGH, D.D., of Massachusetts, at 12, a recess was taken till 2 P.M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.—At 2, after singing, and prayer by Rev. WILLIAM E. PARK, D.D., of New York, the claims of the Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society were presented by WILLIAM A. DUNCAN, of Massachusetts ; Rev. HENRY C. CRONIN, of Missouri ; Rev. ARTHUR LITTLE, D.D., of Massachusetts, and Rev. GEORGE M. BOYNTON, D.D., of Massachusetts, Secretary.

After singing, the following Superintendents made addresses :

Rev. L. PAYSON BROAD, of Kansas ; Rev. GREGORY J. POWELL, of the Black Hills and Wyoming ; Rev. HARMON BROSS, of Nebraska ; Rev. JAMES T. FORD, of California ; also after singing, Rev. CLARENDON M. SANDERS, of Colorado ; Rev. THOMAS W. JONES, D.D., of Pennsylvania, and Rev. HIRAM D. WIAED, of South Dakota.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Society are hereby tendered to Hon. NELSON DINGLEY, Jr., for the courtesy and ability with which he has presided over us, as

well as for his impressive and hopeful opening address; to Mr. E. P. IDE, of Brooklyn, and Miss MARY McRAE, of this city, for leadership in the service of song; to Rev. CLARENCE F. SWIFT and the Local Committee for all they have done for our personal and common convenience; to the ladies of the Congregational Church for their delightful social entertainment last evening; and to the hotels and the many railroad and steamboat corporations whose rates, reduced in our behalf, have facilitated and enlarged the attendance upon this anniversary.

The minutes of Wednesday afternoon and evening and of Thursday were approved, and the Assistant Recording Secretary was authorized to complete the minutes at the close of the evening session.

After singing "Work, for the night is coming," and the benediction by Rev. GEORGE A. TEWKSBURY, of Washington, at 5:15, a recess was taken till 7:30.

THURSDAY EVENING.—At 7:30, after singing, and prayer by Rev. ASHER ANDERSON, of Connecticut, addresses were made by Rev. REUBEN A. BEARD, of Washington, and Rev. JAMES G. DOUGHERTY, of Kansas. After singing, Rev. JOHN L. SCUDDER, of New York, made an address.

The following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Recognizing the tremendous pressure that is being brought to bear upon the Commissioners of the great Columbian Exposition by those who favor the opening of the Exposition on the Lord's Day—but believing that said Commissioners desire to act only in accord with the highest interests of our country, and will give due consideration to the Christian sentiment of the whole land, as it voices itself to them—

The American Home Missionary Society in Convention assembled at Saratoga this 4th day of June, 1891, desires to add her voice to that of the friends of the Sabbath who have already spoken, and to urge upon the Commissioners a careful consideration of the following facts:

1. The object of the Columbian Exposition is not a local one, nor is it a financial one, but it is a national one, designed to exhibit to the world the marvelous resources and the wonderful material prosperity of our land, of which we are justly proud. But in doing this we cannot afford to lose sight of the foundation stones upon which our prosperity rests.

2. Our country and her institutions were founded by God-fearing men. These men, by word and act, laid the strongest emphasis on the sacredness with which the Lord's Day should ever be regarded.

3. History shows that those nations that have been most conscientious in the observance of the Lord's Day, and all that for which the day stands, have also been the most prosperous materially, intellectually, and morally. And among all these nations our own stands first.

4. The open desecration of the Sabbath by our nation, by throwing wide the doors of the Columbian Exposition on that day, would therefore not only outrage the purest Christian sentiment of our land by reason of all the evil influences which would necessarily accompany such opening, but it would ignore one of the main principles which underlie our whole national structure, and it would thus

place us before the world in the attitude of denying what history affirms to have been one of the corner stones of the material prosperity of our own nation.

Wherefore, be it *resolved* by the American Home Missionary Society, that her Secretaries be instructed to forward to the Commissioners of the Columbian Exposition a copy of this minute as an expression of her strong conviction on this most important national question; and also that they be authorized to present additional facts and considerations at their discretion.

After singing "Blest be the tie that binds," a closing address by the President, and benediction by Rev. ALEXANDER H. CLAPP, D.D., of New York, at 9:30 the Sixty-fifth Annual Meeting of the American Home Missionary Society was dissolved.

WILLIAM H. HOLMAN,
Recording Secretary.

WILLIAM H. MOORE,
Assistant Recording Secretary.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee met on Wednesday, June 10, at the Society's Rooms, Bible House, Astor Place, N. Y., and duly elected the following executive officers.

HONORARY SECRETARY.

REV. DAVID B. COE, D.D.

SECRETARIES FOR CORRESPONDENCE.

REV. JOSEPH B. CLARK, D.D.,

REV. WILLIAM KINCAID, D.D.

TREASURER.

REV. ALEXANDER H. CLAPP, D.D.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS.

FOR THREE YEARS, 1891-'94.

CHARLES H. PARSONS, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

ALBERT WOODRUFF, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

REV. JAMES G. ROBERTS, D.D., of Brooklyn, N. Y.

ASA A. SPEAR, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

REV. WASHINGTON CHOATE, of Greenwich, Ct.

FOR THREE YEARS, 1890-'93.

REV. SAMUEL H. VIRGIN, D.D., of New York City, N. Y.

HERBERT M. DIXON, of Smyrna, New York.

JOSEPH WM. RICE, of Providence, R. I.

REV. ROBERT R. MEREDITH, D.D., of Brooklyn, N. Y.

FOR THREE YEARS, 1889-'92.

REV. WILLIAM M. TAYLOR, D.D., of New York City.

WILLIAM HENRY SMITH, of Yonkers, New York.

WILLIAM IVES WASHBURN, of New York City.

G. HENRY WHITCOMB, of Worcester, Massachusetts.

REV. CHARLES H. RICHARDS, D.D., of Philadelphia, Pa.

SIXTY-FIFTH REPORT.

ONCE more the Executive Committee must open their Annual Report with a record of the death of one of their number. Mr. JOHN WILEY died suddenly at his home in East Orange, New Jersey, on the 21st of February, 1891, in the eighty-third year of his age. He was the eldest member of the Committee, but so alert were his mental faculties, and such was his physical vigor, that none but his intimate friends could believe that he had reached even "the allotted age of man." For many years Mr. Wiley had been a devoted friend of this Society, giving freely himself and using his influence to lead others to give. For this he was well known while a member of the Puritan Church under Dr. Cheever's pastorate, and in later years, in the Orange Valley Church and the Trinity Church of East Orange, in both of which for years he used well the office of deacon, and purchased for himself a good degree.

Mr. Wiley was elected a member of the Executive Committee in 1873, and in June, 1883, was chosen to be its chairman. This office he filled with exemplary punctuality and conscientiousness until June, 1890, when he laid off upon younger shoulders the burdens of that office. Not for a moment, however, did he relax his careful watch for the Society's welfare or his deep interest in the business of the Committee. He was sure to be at every meeting, unless prevented by illness or absence from the city. This habit he kept up to the very last, being present and taking an active part in the first meeting of the month in which he was taken from these earthly scenes of Christian activity to the higher duties and joyous recompenses of his heavenly home. He leaves with all who knew him here a precious memory and an inspiring example.

Of the 1,912 commissioned brethren, eleven, in eight States, have heard the Master's call to leave the scenes of their toil and to be with him where he is. These are: Rev. ALFRED H. BEARS, of Colorado; Rev. JOHN M. BOWERS, of Missouri; Rev. SAMUEL C. DEAN, of Nebraska; Rev. N. D. FANNING, of Minnesota; Rev. JOEL HARPER, of Colorado; Rev. ORLO D. HINE, of Connecticut; Rev. R. KERR, of Wisconsin; Rev. J. McDOWELL, of Colorado; Rev. J. RALPH, of Wisconsin; Rev. PHILIP TITCOMB, of New Hampshire, and Rev. CHARLES S. UZZELL, of California.

One of these had filled up fifty years of busy service; another had

served forty-four years; a third had given to the work at home and in the Orient thirty-five years of consecrated activity. Several of the others had been permitted to sow but for a brief season in fields whose harvests those who follow after will reap in years to come.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS.

The number of missionary laborers in the service of the Society the last year, whose names are found in the General Table in the full report, together with those engaged in superintending the work, is 1,966. (Deducting fifty-four reported in more than one State, 1,912.) Of these, 1,416 were in commission at the date of the last report, and 496 have since been appointed.

They have been employed in 45 States and Territories as follows: In Maine, 134; New Hampshire, 74; Vermont, 49; Massachusetts, 124; Rhode Island, 11; Connecticut, 54; New York, 89; New Jersey, 11; Pennsylvania, 38; Maryland, 2; District of Columbia, 1; Virginia, 2; West Virginia, 3; Louisiana, 11; Georgia, 24; Alabama, 5; Arkansas, 11; Florida, 32; Texas, 9; Indian Territory and Oklahoma, 26; Tennessee, 1; Kentucky, 2; Ohio, 49; Indiana, 40; Illinois, 72; Missouri, 62; Michigan, 124; Wisconsin, 87; Iowa, 108; Minnesota, 121; Kansas, 78; Nebraska, 89; North Dakota, 36; South Dakota, 93; Colorado, 61; Wyoming, 10; Montana, 11; New Mexico, 6; Utah, 13; Nevada, 1; Idaho, 6; Arizona, 2; California, 94; Oregon, 22; Washington, 66; Mexico, 2; in all, 1,966. Of these 54 having labored in more than one State are in this enumeration twice counted. The total number of individuals employed is 1,912.

This distribution, retaining the twice counted, gives to the New England States, 446; Middle States, 141; Southern States, 78; South-western States, 108; on the Pacific Coast, 184; Western States and Territories, 1,009.

Of the whole number in commission, 1,035 have been pastors or stated supplies of single congregations; 667 have ministered to two or three congregations each; and 264 have extended their labors over still wider fields.

The aggregate of missionary labor performed is 1,318 years.

The number of congregations and missionary districts which have been fully supplied, or where the Gospel has been preached at stated intervals, is 3,270.

Five missionaries have been in commission as pastors or stated supplies of congregations of colored people, and 191 have preached in foreign languages: 10 to Welsh congregations, 38 to German congregations, 102 to Scandinavian congregations, 24 to Bohemian congregations, 3 to Polish

congregations, 2 to Indian congregations, 8 to French congregations, 3 to Mexican congregations, and 1 to Italian congregations.

The number of Sunday-school and Bible-class scholars is not far from 154,722. The organization of 292 new schools is reported, and the number under the special care of missionaries is 2,295.

Three hundred and seven missionaries make mention of revivals of religion during the year, some of them reporting 151, 150, 120, 110, 99, 80, 75, 74, 63, and 60 hopeful conversions. In 219 instances the number of reported converts exceeds 10, and the number reported by 679 missionaries is 7,847.

The additions to the churches, as nearly as can be ascertained, have been 11,320, viz.: 7,244 on confession of faith, and 4,076 by letters from other churches.

Two hundred and twelve churches have been organized in connection with the labors of the missionaries within the year, and 56 have assumed the entire support of their own gospel ordinances.

One hundred and seventy-one houses of worship have been completed, 25 are in course of erection, and 243 materially repaired or improved. Twelve chapels are reported as having been built within the year, and 72 parsonages have been provided. One hundred and forty-five men, in connection with the missionary churches, are reported as in different stages of preparation for the Gospel ministry.

THE TREASURY.

RESOURCES.—The balance in the treasury, April 1, 1890, was \$51,639.17, including "The Swett Exigency Fund" of \$50,000. The receipts for the succeeding twelve months were: \$460,999.55 from legacies and contributions, \$174,180.90 reported by the Auxiliaries as raised and expended on their respective fields, and \$179,740.83 loan from the bank, making the resources for the year \$866,560.45.

LIABILITIES.—There was due to missionary laborers at the close of last year \$1,718.12. There has since become due \$800,848.27—including amount due the bank on loan account \$179,740.83 (viz.: \$111,885.83 original loans and \$67,855 renewals), making the total liabilities \$802,566.39.

PAYMENTS.—Of this sum, \$802,566.39, including \$131,269.16 paid bank on account of loans, have been paid, leaving \$1,370 still due the missionaries on receipt of their reports for labor performed. In addition to these past dues, appropriations already made and daily becoming due, amount to \$123,946.47, making the total pledges \$125,316.47, toward canceling which there was a balance in the treasury, March 31, of \$13,994.06, after deducting the "Swett Exigency Fund" of \$50,000.

COMPARATIVE RESULTS.

The number of commissions issued exceeds by 63 that of the sixty-fourth year, the years of labor were 24 more, the number who have preached in foreign languages 191 has been increased by 10, 19 more preaching-stations have been steadily supplied. It should not be forgotten, however, that the number of stations *steadily* supplied with preaching and pastoral care is very far from marking the limits of the direct and positive influence of the missionaries. Every year an enlarging area of adjacent country is blessed with their *occasional* ministrations in the way of family visitation, the founding and fostering of Sunday-schools, prayer-meetings, and social Bible-reading circles, present conservators of spiritual health, and sure in time to grow into churches. The additions to the aided churches were, by letter, 34 more, and on confession, 636 more than last year. A steady gain has been made in the Sunday-school work, already pushed nearly to the full extent of the missionaries' strength. The number of schools under missionary care was increased by 13, and 12,747 more scholars were reported. Twenty-eight more churches were organized.

THE WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT.

The Secretary of the Woman's Department presents these encouraging items:

The offerings of the Woman's Homeland Unions this year to the Six National Societies amount to \$86,059.96, which is an increase of \$16,506.28 over last year. Of this the American Home Missionary Society receives \$41,553.48—a gain of \$5,975.05 over last year. All the frontier State Unions of the West, and all but four of the South, show a gain in contributions for the American Home Missionary Society over the sixty-fourth year. There has been a marked change in the correspondence with the Woman's Department. The question "How?" as to methods of organization and work has given place to this message: "We are organized; we have regular meetings; now we want to study the Field; please send material." The "special numbers" of *The Home Missionary* have been used in many places during the year for purposes of study. Several requests have come for "a course of home missionary reading." The question which confronts the Woman's Department to-day is: "When will you give us a series of *home missionary studies* for our Auxiliaries?" There has been an increase in definite orders for literature. Last year these orders, *from women*, called for 135,770 leaflets, etc. This year, for 202,821, a gain of nearly fifty per cent. Women are improving in their business habits as to managing missionary

affairs. The Secretary sent out three lists of questions to the three State officers of thirty-five State Unions including forty-one States and Territories, April 1st, and received answers from all by the last of April. All but three States responded by April 20.

These questions bring the following facts to light: 1. Seventeen State officers are planning to attend the Annual Meeting of the A. H. M. S. in June. 2. Twenty-one State Unions elected a delegate to this meeting. 3. A number of the Unions are presenting special objects for contributions to the ladies, young people, and children of the State. 4. Several are trying to introduce systematic study for Home Missions into the Sunday-schools. 5. The payment of a missionary salary is increasing in popularity, without the slightest detriment to missionary clothing boxes. 6. Several Unions have established a Bureau of Information for the use of Auxiliaries. 7. Several set apart special days for Thank-offering and Prayer services. 8. Every Union reports progress and encouragement. New State Missionary Organizations have been formed this year in Montana, Pennsylvania, Oklahoma Territory, New Jersey, including Maryland, Virginia and Dist. of Columbia, and Utah. There are now thirty-six of these Unions organized in forty-three States and Territories, leaving only eight yet to come in.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

On no department of his work does the Home Missionary bestow more careful thought than he gives to the Sunday-schools under his charge; from none does he derive more satisfaction; concerning none does he cherish brighter hopes. All this toil and care and all these hopes have been amply justified by sixty-five years' experience. It would be interesting to know just how many of the 5,621 churches organized by the missionaries of this Society have grown out of the Sunday-schools of their planting and nourishing. No accessible records can give the exact proportion, but that it is very large every working missionary can testify. This year, as heretofore, the utmost pains has been taken to plant schools only where there was reason to believe they could be wisely and conscientiously cared for, with an eye to their growth and perpetuity. The number organized within the year is 292. Now reported as under home missionary care, 2,295. Number of scholars statedly gathered and taught in these schools, 154,722—a gain of 12,747. Best of all, the reports of our faithful carers for the spiritual welfare of these children and youth show that their work and prayers have been owned and blessed of God to the saving of many souls and their ingathering into the Redeemer's Kingdom.

OUR PUBLICATIONS.

Of these *The Home Missionary* still stands at the head. Its average monthly edition this year has been 29,772 copies, an aggregate of 357,264 copies. The regular edition for the coming year is to be 30,000 copies. As heretofore, its one mission will be to carry to thoughtful readers in many thousands of homes a monthly report of news from the widespread fields, north, south, east, and west; showing the actual progress the work is making, the obstacles that hinder its more rapid advance—particularly the lack of means for fully occupying ground needing and calling for the Lord's husbandmen; keeping the abler churches, by frank fraternal correspondence, in a relation that is scarcely less close than personal contact would be, with the brethren and sisters who represent them here and there, the land over; often cheering with accounts of blessed revivals the hearts of those who give and pray for the cause; and evermore opening new vistas into the glorious future that our dear land might realize—*will* realize, if God's children in it are faithful to their trust.

After a sale of more than 30,000 copies of "Our Country", a new edition carefully revised and somewhat enlarged by its author, Rev. Dr. Josiah Strong, is just coming from the press. He has given much time and pains in the revision to verify every statement of fact; statistics have been conformed to the figures of the latest census; every expression of opinion has been reconsidered in the light shed on the subject by critics whether friendly or unfriendly; and it is believed that nowhere else in so brief a space can the intelligent lover of his country find an equal amount of information concerning its conditions, needs, possibilities, and prospects. It should be a familiar handbook with all lovers of Home Missions.

Superintendent Montgomery's book, "A Wind from the Holy Spirit in Norway and Sweden" is still supplied in several forms, at prices ranging from ten cents to forty-five cents, giving valuable and timely information concerning religious work among the Scandinavians in their own country and in ours.

The Leaflets published by the Society with a view to informing, quickening, and helping the friends of the work in forwarding its interests now number one hundred and twelve. A priced list of them, and specimen copies, will be cheerfully given to every applicant. Pastors and others will be supplied, on request, with these Leaflets, also with collection envelopes, etc., helpful in gathering parish offerings for the Society.

FAMILY SUPPLIES.

Throughout another year the Christian women of our churches with warm hearts, busy fingers, and open purses, have ministered to the com-

fort, health, and usefulness of the missionaries and their households in the newer States and Territories, and wheresoever the comforts of life were too distant and too costly for the missionary's resources. Many an over-taxed mother has been cheered by the welcome garments and household supplies that her own weary hands could not have furnished, thus leaving her freer to act as a "helpmeet" indeed to the husband in his spiritual work. Many another link has been added to the chain of loving co-operation between the Eastern churches and the Western by the frank correspondence which has grown out of this ministry of Christian affection. The number of packages formally reported to the Society's officials was 683. Many more are known to have been sent, of which no public mention was desired, and doubtless not a few others have gone with the knowledge of only the givers and receivers. Of the packages reported, 585 were valued by the donors at \$57,356. Reckoning the 98 of which no valuation was named at the average value of the others, it appears that the total of pecuniary help so rendered was \$66,964.

When it is borne in mind that this is in addition to \$41,553 paid into the treasury in cash by the same helpful hands, through their "Unions," some approximate idea may be gained as to the growing value of our Woman's Organizations to the work of Home Missions.

DISTRIBUTION OF MISSIONARIES BY SECTIONS.

The following Table gives the number of missionaries, each year of the Society's operations, the geographical divisions of *Eastern, Middle, Southern and Western States*; and also in *Canada*.

Society's Year, beginning 1826.	New England States.	Middle States	Southern and Southwest'n States.	Western States and Territories.	Canada.	Total.
1-'26-'27	1	129	5	33	1	169
2-'27-'28	5	130	9	56	..	201
3-'28-'29	72	127	23	80	2	304
4-'29-'30	107	147	13	122	3	392
5-'30-'31	144	160	12	145	2	463
6-'31-'32	163	169	10	166	1	509
7-'32-'33	239	170	9	185	3	606
8-'33-'34	287	201	13	169	6	676
9-'34-'35	289	216	18	187	9	719
10-'35-'36	319	219	11	191	15	755
11-'36-'37	331	227	11	195	22	786
12-'37-'38	288	198	8	166	24	684
13-'38-'39	284	198	9	160	14	665
14-'39-'40	290	205	6	167	12	680
15-'40-'41	292	215	5	169	9	690
16-'41-'42	305	249	5	222	10	791
17-'42-'43	288	253	7	291	9	848
18-'43-'44	268	257	10	365	7	907
19-'44-'45	285	249	6	397	6	943
20-'45-'46	274	271	9	417	..	971
21-'46-'47	275	254	10	433	..	972
22-'47-'48	295	237	18	456	..	1,006
23-'48-'49	302	239	15	463	..	1,019
24-'49-'50	301	228	15	488	..	1,032
25-'50-'51	311	224	15	515	..	1,065
26-'51-'52	305	213	14	530	..	1,065
27-'52-'53	313	215	12	547	..	1,087
28-'53-'54	292	214	11	530	..	1,047
29-'54-'55	278	207	10	537	..	1,032
30-'55-'56	276	198	8	504	..	986
31-'56-'57	271	191	6	506	..	974
32-'57-'58	291	197	3	521	..	1,012
33-'58-'59	319	201	..	534	..	1,054
34-'59-'60	327	199	..	581	..	1,107
35-'60-'61	308	181	..	573	..	1,062
36-'61-'62	295	87	..	481	..	863
37-'62-'63	281	48	..	405	..	734
38-'63-'64	289	44	..	423	..	756
39-'64-'65	293	58	..	451	..	802
40-'65-'66	283	64	4	467	..	818
41-'66-'67	284	66	5	491	..	846
42-'67-'68	307	73	7	521	..	908
43-'68-'69	327	73	8	564	..	972
44-'69-'70	311	71	6	556	..	944
45-'70-'71	296	69	5	570	..	940
46-'71-'72	308	62	3	588	..	961
47-'72-'73	312	49	3	587	..	951
48-'73-'74	310	58	7	594	..	969
49-'74-'75	292	67	7	586	..	952
50-'75-'76	304	72	8	595	..	979
51-'76-'77	303	70	6	617	..	996
52-'77-'78	316	70	6	604	..	996
53-'78-'79	312	57	10	567	..	946
54-'79-'80	327	57	9	622	..	1,015
55-'80-'81	321	62	9	640	..	1,032
56-'81-'82	328	56	17	669	..	1,070
57-'82-'83	326	68	61	695	..	1,150
58-'83-'84	334	77	63	868	..	1,342
59-'84-'85	349	93	123	882	..	1,447
60-'85-'86	368	99	134	868	..	1,469
61-'86-'87	375	103	143	950	..	1,571
62-'87-'88	387	110	144	979	..	1,620
63-'88-'89	414	109	127	1,109	..	1,759
64-'89-'90	441	121	150	1,167	..	1,879
65-'90-'91	446	141	186	1,193	..	1,966

GENERAL COMPARATIVE RESULTS.

Society's Year, beginning 1826.	Receipts.	Expenditures.	No. of Missionaries.	Not in Commission the preceding year.	No. of Congregations and Missionary Districts.	Years of Labor.	Additions to Churches.	Sunday-schools and Bible-classes.	Average Expense for a Year's Labor.	Average Expense for a Missionary.
1-26-27	\$18,140 76	\$13,984 17	169	68	196	110	not rep.	not rep.	127	38
2-27-28	20,035 78	17,849 22	201	89	244	133	1,000	306	134	89
3-28-29	26,997 31	26,814 96	304	169	401	186	1,678	423	144	88
4-29-30	33,929 44	42,429 50	392	166	500	274	1,959	572	155	108
5-30-31	48,124 73	47,247 60	463	164	577	294	2,523	700	160	102
6-31-32	49,422 12	52,808 39	509	158	745	361	6,126	783	146	104
7-32-33	68,627 17	66,277 96	606	209	801	417	4,284	1,148	159	109
8-33-34	78,911 44	80,015 76	676	200	899	463	2,736	Pupils.	172	118
9-34-35	88,363 22	83,394 28	719	204	1,050	490	3,300	52,000	170	116
10-35-36	101,565 15	92,188 94	755	249	1,000	545	3,750	65,000	169	122
11-36-37	85,701 59	99,529 72	786	232	1,025	554	3,752	80,000	180	123
12-37-38	86,522 45	85,056 26	684	123	840	438	3,976	67,000	194	124
13-38-39	82,564 63	82,655 64	665	201	794	473	3,920	58,500	175	124
14-39-40	78,345 20	78,533 89	680	194	842	486	4,750	60,000	162	115
15-40-41	85,413 34	84,864 06	690	178	862	501	4,618	54,100	169	123
16-41-42	92,463 64	94,300 14	791	248	987	594	5,514	64,300	159	119
17-42-43	99,812 84	98,215 11	848	225	1,047	657	8,223	68,400	149	116
18-43-44	101,904 99	104,276 47	907	237	1,246	665	7,693	60,300	157	115
19-44-45	121,946 28	118,360 12	943	209	1,285	736	4,929	60,000	160	126
20-45-46	126,124 70	126,193 15	971	225	1,453	760	5,311	76,700	166	130
21-46-47	116,717 94	119,170 40	972	189	1,470	713	4,400	73,000	167	123
22-47-48	140,197 10	139,283 34	1,006	205	1,447	773	5,020	77,000	180	138
23-48-49	145,925 91	143,771 67	1,019	192	1,510	808	5,550	83,500	178	141
24-49-50	157,160 78	146,456 09	1,032	205	1,575	812	6,632	75,400	179	141
25-50-51	150,940 25	123,817 90	1,065	211	1,820	853	6,578	70,000	180	144
26-51-52	160,062 25	162,831 14	1,065	204	1,948	862	6,820	66,500	189	153
27-52-53	171,734 24	174,439 24	1,187	213	2,160	876	6,079	72,500	199	160
28-53-54	191,209 07	184,025 76	1,047	167	2,140	870	6,655	65,400	212	176
29-54-55	180,136 69	177,717 34	1,032	180	2,124	815	5,634	64,500	218	171
30-55-56	193,548 37	186,611 02	956	187	1,965	775	5,602	60,000	241	189
31-56-57	178,060 68	180,550 44	974	201	1,985	780	5,550	62,500	231	185
32-57-58	175,971 37	190,735 70	1,112	242	2,034	795	6,794	65,500	240	188
33-58-59	188,139 89	187,084 41	1,054	250	2,125	810	6,791	67,300	231	178
34-59-60	185,216 17	192,737 69	1,107	260	2,175	868	6,287	72,200	222	174
35-60-61	183,761 80	183,762 70	1,062	212	2,025	835	5,600	71,000	220	173
36-61-62	163,852 61	153,336 33	863	153	1,668	612	4,207	60,300	259	183
37-62-63	164,884 29	133,843 39	734	155	1,455	562	3,105	54,000	240	184
38-63-64	195,837 69	149,325 58	756	176	1,518	603	3,902	55,200	248	198
39-64-65	186,897 50	189,965 39	802	199	1,575	635	3,820	58,600	299	237
40-65-66	221,191 85	208,811 18	818	186	1,594	643	3,924	61,200	325	255
41-66-67	212,567 63	227,963 97	846	205	1,645	655	5,959	64,000	348	269
42-67-68	217,571 25	234,668 65	908	250	1,710	702	6,214	66,300	364	282
43-68-69	244,390 96	274,932 55	972	246	1,956	734	6,470	75,300	374	283
44-69-70	283,102 87	270,927 58	944	246	1,836	693	6,404	75,150	390	287
45-70-71	246,567 26	263,617 19	940	227	1,937	716	5,833	71,500	363	280
46-71-72	294,566 86	281,182 50	951	236	2,011	762	6,368	76,500	369	293
47-72-73	267,691 42	278,830 24	951	217	2,145	714	5,725	74,000	391	293
48-73-74	290,120 34	287,662 91	969	241	2,195	726	5,421	74,700	395	297
49-74-75	308,596 82	296,759 65	952	214	2,223	701	6,361	80,750	423	311
50-75-76	310,027 62	309,371 84	979	240	2,274	734	7,836	85,370	422	317
51-76-77	293,712 62	310,604 11	996	234	2,196	727	8,065	86,300	442	312
52-77-78	284,456 44	284,540 71	996	209	2,237	739	7,578	91,762	535	286
53-78-79	273,691 53	260,330 29	946	199	2,126	710	5,232	87,573	367	275
54-79-80	266,720 41	259,709 86	1,015	256	2,308	761	5,598	96,724	341	266
55-80-81	290,958 72	284,414 22	1,032	255	2,653	783	5,922	99,988	363	276
56-81-82	340,778 47	339,795 04	1,070	262	2,508	799	6,032	104,308	425	318
57-82-83	370,931 56	354,105 80	1,150	301	2,659	807	6,527	106,638	433	308
58-83-84	385,004 10	419,449 45	1,342	401	2,930	962	7,907	116,314	436	312
59-84-85	451,767 66	460,722 83	1,447	380	2,990	1,017	8,734	118,000	453	318
60-85-86	524,544 93	493,790 16	1,469	372	3,005	1,058	9,050	120,000	471	324
61-86-87	492,979 69	507,988 79	1,571	392	3,063	1,117	10,031	129,350	454	312
62-87-88	548,729 87	511,641 86	1,620	361	3,084	1,173	10,012	129,462	436	316
63-88-89	542,251 00	597,049 11	1,759	478	3,155	1,249	10,326	134,395	408	340
64-89-90	677,171 39	603,978 31	1,879	452	3,251	1,294	10,650	141,975	467	322
65-90-91	635,180 45	671,297 23	1,966	496	3,270	1,318	11,320	154,722	509	341

1. The total receipts for the sixty-five years is \$13,984,024.91.

2. The total of years of labor is 45,950.

3. The whole number of additions to the churches is 388,281.

4. The average expenditure for a year of missionary labor includes the entire cost to the Society of obtaining the missionary, defraying his expense to his field, and sustaining him on it, as well as the average proportion of all the expenses in conducting the Institution.

AUXILIARIES AND MISSIONARY FIELDS.

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Prof. LEVI L. PAINE, D.D., President: Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS, Bangor, Secretary; JOHN L. CROSBY, Esq., Bangor, Treasurer. Office in Bangor.

The Receipts of this Auxiliary within the year ending February 28, were:

From churches and individuals.....	\$7,266 85
From Woman's Missionary Auxiliary.....	1,858 56
From legacies.....	5,847 47
Income from invested funds.....	2,975 54
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	\$19,948 42

The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in Maine, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.... 12,713 16

Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions\$30,661 58

The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work within the year ending March 31..... \$237 84

The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....\$17,568 55

One hundred and thirty two missionaries have been in the service during the whole or a part of the year.

One hundred and thirty churches and stations have been supplied and seventy-eight years of labor performed.

One church self-sustaining. Five houses of worship have been erected. Four churches have been organized. One hundred and thirty-four Sunday-schools report a membership of 8,592. Eight young men have been reported as preparing for the ministry.

Secretary Adams reports: "There has been an unusual gain in the organization of churches during the last six months, and they are at stations heretofore served by students. Four have been added to the roll, at points where no other churches exist. The membership in each is small and yet it equals the original numbers of many a church which has become a power in the State. In the matter of gathering churches, it is too late to despise the day of small things. A French Protestant church at Biddeford has been received into fellowship by York Conference. A missionary from the French College at Worcester, Mass., has been doing good work for six months, from which much is expected in the future. Similar work needs to be undertaken in some of the other cities of the State. General Missionary Harlow felt obliged to resign in June, and as yet no one has been found for the place. The County missionaries have labored in four counties, and their services are invaluable in the

oversight of feeble churches, the settling of difficulties, and in evangelistic services. No doubt more might have been accomplished in all the departments, but there is cause for gratitude in the results secured.

"Maine still calls for a large missionary force, and her continued development will demand this for years to come. We rejoice in the knowledge that the State work is cheerfully sustained and that increasing contributions are going to the National Society.

"God speed the work."

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. SAMUEL C. BARTLETT, D.D., LL.D., President; Rev. ALFRED T. HILLMAN Secretary; Hon. LYMAN D. STEVENS, Treasurer. Office in Concord.

The Receipts of this Auxiliary within the year ending February 28, were:

From churches and individuals.....	\$8,015 55
From legacies.....	2,832 88
Income from invested funds.....	4,864 05
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	\$15,712 48

The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in New Hampshire, for the national work, within the year ending March 31..... 12,464 64

Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions.....\$28,177 12

The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work within the year ending March 31 \$4,420 51

The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....\$11,220 79

This Society has had in commission seventy-two missionaries during the whole or a part of the year. Sixty-two churches and fourteen stations have been supplied, and forty-four years of service performed.

Secretary Hillman adds: "The New Hampshire Auxiliary met with serious loss during the year in the death of Rev. E. H. Greeley, D.D., for seventeen years its efficient and faithful Secretary, and the Rev. Phillip Titcomb, for ten years missionary pastor at Kensington.

"Thirty of our missions stand alone in their respective fields, and minister to communities whose aggregate population is 17,000.

"Of the work of the National Society the Trustees say: 'It is worthy of note that we are able this year to make from our own treasury a large addition to the sums designated to go in that direction. It is hoped that this may be the beginning of a new order of things, and that hereafter a considerable sum shall go every year from the treasury of the State to that of the National Institution.'

"There is a very frequent call for ministers which cannot be met, and this is the chief cause of anxiety."

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

HON. HENRY FAIRBANKS, Ph.D., President; Rev. CHARLES H. MERRILL, Secretary,
THERON M. HOWARD, Esq., Treasurer. Office in St. Johnsbury.

The receipts of this Auxiliary, within the year ending February 28, were:

From churches and individuals.....	\$8,924 51
From legacies.....	10 100 00
Income from invested funds.....	661 00
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	\$19,685 51

The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in Vermont, for the national work, within the year ending March 31..... 4,808 02

Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions.....\$24,493 53

The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	\$576 42
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	\$9,833 98

Forty-seven missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, performing thirty-one years of labor in connection with forty-seven churches and twenty-one stations. One church has reached self support. One church has been organized. Three houses of worship have been erected and three repaired.

Secretary Merrill says: "Of the fields dropped from the list during the year only one has failed to have preaching. The new names which appear represent old churches revived, new mission work undertaken, or a different grouping of fields, and two men employed where one was before.

"The work begun last year of arousing the dormant financial strength of weak and discouraged churches, has been vigorously prosecuted by Rev. L. C. Kimball, the Financial Evangelist. Through his agency and under his leadership church debts have been paid, smaller missionary grants have been asked for, and parsonages have been secured. It has been shown that weakness means in many cases only want of wise leadership, and the aid needed is some practical plan for bringing out and making operative the willingness and capability already there. Spiritual blessings and fresh vitality in the churches follow upon these methods as well as relief to the missionary society.

"Regular evangelistic work has been carried on during the year. Rev. Hollis Jordan, the former Evangelist, resigned the position in the fall and has since been employed by the Missionary Committee of Windham County in work among the feeble churches. A part of his support is borne by the State Society. Rev. E. L. Walbridge succeeded him after a short interval and has been laboring in the northern part of the State with marked tokens of success. An effort has been made to have the

churches more thoroughly prepared for his coming, and the Evangelist has modestly given much of the credit for the encouraging reports to the faithful support he has received.

"A new move in mission work has been made in the attempt to carry the Gospel to the non-church-going population of the State. Two lady evangelists have been secured from the Training School for Christian Workers in Northfield, Mass., for house to house visitation in the country parishes and districts lying in between the parishes. Cottage meetings will be held and school-house services, and after an interest has been awakened the work is to be intrusted to the nearest church to be carried on under the direction of pastor and assistants. Miss Lydia Hartig and Miss Nellie A. Barnes are the pioneers in this work. They are meeting with encouraging success at the outset. It will be their mission to show that a work can be done for the country similar to that which workers from the Training School in Chicago are doing for the city.

"Vermont has been shown to be, if not a mission State, yet a State which contains much mission ground. It has been demonstrated by a thorough examination of results that it is a State where mission work is fruitful. The fruits of a dawning consciousness of the truth of these facts upon the minds of the good Christian people of this commonwealth are beginning to appear. The treasury of the Society is in a condition more encouraging than for many years. And workers are applying in numbers that give promise for the future, among whom are not a few from the young men about to graduate from the Theological Seminaries. Knowledge of the work is more widely diffused and with increased intelligence has come an increased interest and sympathy with the increased gifts."

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

REV. JULIUS H. SEELYE, D.D., LL.D., President; Rev. JOSHUA COIT, Secretary;
Rev. E. B. PALMER, Treasurer. Office in Boston.

The Receipts of this Auxiliary for Home Missions, within the year ending February 28, were.....	\$147,945 27
The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in Massachusetts, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	86,419 17

Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions \$234,364 44

The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	\$83,877 00
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	\$63,512 98

The Secretary of this Society reports that there have been this year 127 stations occupied by the missionaries of this Society. There have

been in the employ of the Society, during the whole or a part of the year, ten General Missionaries and 114 others. In all 124.

Secretary Coit adds: "A careful examination of the list of churches aided and grants made during the year shows that some sixty-seven 'old' churches have been aided. And by 'old' I mean those that cannot be expected, in the ordinary course of things, to be able to reach "self support." Some of them will get on with smaller grants; some of them may, contrary to present expectation, become independent of this Society, and some may cease to maintain public worship because of 'fewness' and 'distance' and 'other church accommodation.' But we may rely upon the most of them as permanently with us. To these 'old' churches the total of grants was \$17,675.

"We find some thirty-one 'new' churches. And by 'new' I mean such as may be expected to assume independence of this Society within a reasonable period. In fact one to which a large grant of \$500 was made, the Park of Worcester, for but a single year, assumes self support after this single grant. Another that was on this list five years ago, the church at West Somerville, sent in, as its offering for the Home Missionary Sunday, an extra gift of \$300. To these thirty-one churches total grant was made of \$7,150, an average grant of \$230, while to the 'old' churches the average grant was \$264.

"In these two classes of churches and grants we cover what used to be the entire work of the Society, but there yet remains, for the newer work, nearly half of the money granted. As against \$24,825 granted to these ninety-eight churches there was \$24,485 granted to the Foreign and the Evangelistic work, carried on in these later years. Eighteen foreign grants amounted to \$12,035, an average of \$663, and to the Evangelistic work eleven grants amounted to \$12,450, an average of \$1,131.

"The foreign work is of increasing importance. We have had during the year missions among the French Canadians, Swedes, Norwegians, Danes, Finns, Germans, and Italians. An important adjunct to our French Canadian Mission is the French newspaper 'Le Citoyen Franco-Americain,' for the support of which we make a grant. The paper has now a subscription list of over 1,500, and it goes into many Roman Catholic families where it is read with interest. In this way our missionaries reach by the printed page very many with whom they cannot meet face to face. And the paper not seldom leads men and women to our services. The more the condition of the French Romanists is studied the plainer it becomes that there is a large class of them who are approachable by our missionaries. Their increasing numbers in our land makes it imperative to do everything that can be done to make of them Christian, American citizens. Very significant is the following sentence from a recent address by the present Mayor of Boston, Nathan Matthews: 'From

a population of almost solidly Anglo-Saxon origin and belief, we have become a people of mixed race and many creeds; and it is by no means impossible that before another fifty years shall have passed away the land of the Puritans will be occupied in greater part by people descended out of France and Ireland.'

"The French Protestant College at Springfield is getting a stronger hold on the churches as its work is better understood. It is undoubtedly to be a large factor in the evangelizing and Americanizing of this body of Romanists coming in upon New England from the north."

RHODE ISLAND HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Hon. ROWLAND HAZARD, President; Rev. ALEXANDER MCGREGOR, Pawtucket, Secretary; EDWIN BARROWS, Esq., Treasurer. Office in Providence.

The Receipts of this Auxiliary, within the year ending February 28, were:

From churches and individuals.....	\$4,442 14
From legacies.....	652 88
Income from invested funds.....	262 50
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	\$5,357 52

The National Society received from churches and individuals in Rhode Island, for the national work, within the year ending March 31... \$3,291 03

Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions. \$8,648 55

The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28..... \$4,759 37

Nine missionaries have been in the employ of this Society during the whole or a part of the year. One church has been organized.

Secretary McGregor says: "It is gratifying to report another year of solid progress. In course of the year new ground has been broken among the Portuguese in Providence, numbering about 100, who meet with the Olivet Church (colored), under the care of Rev. E. T. Fleming. The Armenians in Providence, numbering about 250, have also for the first time come under our care in course of the year, and enjoy the services of Mr. Hag, who preaches to them in their own tongue. The Germans, under the judicious care of the Rev. F. C. F. Scherff, are also making for organized action in the near future. He preaches regularly in Providence, and issues a German paper monthly.

"The Swedes, under their pastor, Rev. J. P. Eagle, are in a promising condition. Their congregations, twice within the year, have outgrown the halls they occupied, and now they resolve to 'arise and build.' Already, though poor, this people have contributed \$1,500 toward creating a new place of worship, and Rhode Island will help them, for they are 'worthy for whom it should do this.' The Norwegians, of whom there is a considerable number throughout the State, have had the services regu-

larly during the year of Missionary Ellingsen, who is supported conjointly by the Society and the Swedish Church already referred to.

"We have had to listen to a loud call for evangelistic work among the French Canadians, who may be counted by the thousands in our manufacturing centers, without being able to render them any assistance. The following new stations have been supplied with preaching services: Coventry, Center, Fruit Hill, and Lorraine. At the latter place a church of our order has been recently organized, and at this writing a pastor is under call. This church has already a neat and commodious chapel with a large and thriving Sunday-school. A new chapel, 'The Highland,' in a growing suburb of Providence, is in course of erection and nearing completion. It is at present under the supervision of our esteemed State Missionary, Rev. L. S. Woodworth, who has already secured \$4,000 toward its erection. It is to cost \$5,000, and is deeded in trust to our Society until a church is incorporated. The churches at Academy Avenue and Howard have been able, in course of the year, to wipe off their debts, and now they rejoice in their freedom.

"In all about \$9,000 have been raised throughout the year for the various churches and missions under our care, which with \$5,000 contributed toward the maintenance of our missionary pastors, makes a total of \$14,000, the largest amount raised in any former year by us for local work. The additions to our membership in the State during the year have been very encouraging, for all which we anew would 'praise God from whom all blessings flow.'"

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE, Secretary; WARD W. JACOBS, Esq., Treasurer. Office in Hartford.

The Receipts of this Auxiliary within the year ending February 28, were:

From churches and individuals.....	\$19,999 58
From legacies.....	10 56
Income from invested funds.....	60 00
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	\$20,070 14

The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in Connecticut, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....\$51,351 42

Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions....	\$71,421 56
The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	\$2,273 69
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	\$12,399 36

This Society has had in commission fifty-two missionaries during the whole or a part of the year in connection with seventy-nine churches and

stations, and performing forty-nine years of service. Four churches have been organized, and one has reached self-support.

Secretary Moore says: "The Swedish missionaries visited 36 places besides the nine where we have Swedish churches. In addition to the nine Swedish churches we have one Danish and one of Danes and Norwegians, in all, 11 churches in regular Congregational Convention. The year has been one of unusual trial to the aided and of unusual fruitfulness, and we are hopeful for the ensuing year.

Of our 343 churches in 1889, 214 made offerings to this Society, 212 to the American Home Missionary Society; 151 to both, and 25 to neither. Legacies came from 24 churches of which five gave to this Society, and boxes came from 80 churches, of which four gave to this Society.

"The entire amount received by both societies from Connecticut makes an average of \$1.74 for each church member. But this amount includes boxes, which pay none of the expenses of either society, and also legacies. The contributions of the living in money to carry on the regular operations of the two societies were \$53,655.06 or an average of 93 cents for each church member; and of this sum 33 per cent. was paid to this Society and 67 per cent. to the A. H. M. S.

"The aided churches, notwithstanding many disadvantages, have made a better record for the year than the self-supporting churches in regard to families, Sunday-schools, and the ratio of professions to deaths. The general missionaries have been diligent, and their labors in the aggregate have been very useful."

NEW YORK HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. WILLIAM A. ROBINSON, D.D., President; Rev. ETHAN CURTIS, Syracuse, Secretary; Rev. ALEXANDER H. CLAPP, D.D., New York, Treasurer.

The receipts of the A. H. M. S. from New York have been \$73,191.03, including \$42,201.80 in legacies. Eighty-one missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with ninety-two churches and stations. Seven churches have been organized, one reached self-support, and eight houses of worship have been built. Eighty Sunday-schools report a membership of 9,266.

Secretary Curtis says: "The year has been one of unusual prosperity for the Home Missionary churches as a whole, in the State of New York. We have been enabled to organize a new church a little oftener than once in two months, and unusual prosperity has attended these organizations.

"For example, the church in Clayton, organized in March with about 35 members, has now nearly 100, and this in a field very discouraging during the early months of the movement. The People's Church,

Buffalo, starting with an empty building the last of April with not so much as a congregation, has now 125 members, with many departments of Christian work. Plymouth Church, Binghamton, organized in April with 125 members, has grown to have 230. The church in Corning, one of the last organized, started with about 30 members the last of September, has now 93, with many more to unite with it at its next communion. Elmira, though not growing so fast, being made up mainly of railroad men who cannot be much relied on for Christian work, is nevertheless in a vigorous condition and has a promising outlook. The new church at Roscoe, which grew out of a spontaneous movement largely of non-church-goers, was recently organized, with 48 members, and is quite likely to grow rapidly. The churches in Syracuse have been greatly revived and increased in membership through the successful Mills meetings.

"We have been very successful, too, in the matter of church building. All of our new organizations are either housed or being housed, and the year has been one of unusual success in this department of church progress. We also count ourselves happy in the fact that we have succeeded in securing very good men for our churches.

"We have one discordant note, however, and that is at present we have some fifteen or more small churches paying from \$400 to \$600 a year, even with home missionary aid, and it is with great difficulty that we can find pastors for them. Indeed the problem that is already in the New England States is coming upon our Society, especially as regards the northern tier of counties."

OHIO HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. HENRY M. TENNEY, President; Rev. JOHN G. FRASER, D.D., Cleveland, Secretary; Rev. ALEXANDER H. CLAPP, D.D., New York, Treasurer.

The field of this Society included within the past year such portions of Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Kentucky, as were within the limits of the General Conference of Ohio. The treasurer reports that the amount raised for Home Missions, including the "Bohemian Work" in Cleveland, on this field during the year ending March 31, is \$13,718.35 (individuals and churches \$11,837.75; legacies, \$1,880.60). The expenditures have been, including the "Bohemian Mission" work, \$13,935.66. Fifty-two missionary laborers, including teachers and Bible-readers, in the service of the Cleveland Bohemian Mission Board, have been engaged within the year, performing thirty-eight years of labor in connection with fifty churches and stations. Twenty-two missionaries report 390 conversions, and forty seven Sunday-schools report a membership of 5,183. Three churches have been organized, three reached self-shipment, and three houses of worship have been built.

Secretary Fraser says: "The Census of 1890 reveals the startling

fact that while Ohio as a State increased its population during the last decade by 18 per cent., 28 of its 83 counties show a loss of population. These counties are chiefly rural. On the Western Reserve which still contains the large body of our churches, while between 1870 and 1880, 66 of 216 townships showed a loss of population, between 1880 and 1890, 124 4-7 of the whole 216 showed a loss. In the largest county in the State, while its lake port and three or four of its villages showed handsome gains, 16 of its 28 townships lost. In the adjoining county with no lake port and only one village of 1,000, 14 of 16 townships fell behind. And the oldest county on the Western Reserve, though its county seat gained 1,500, yet showed a loss of 2,500 people. On the other hand, the single county of Cuyahoga gained over 113,000, of which the city of Cleveland received over 101,000. The four largest cities in the State contain nearly 20 per cent. of its population. There are 29 cities and towns with a population of over 8,000. There are 91 cities and towns of 3,000 and over, containing nearly 40 per cent. of the population. Fifty six of these 91 have no Congregational church. There are still unoccupied by us: One city of 25,000; one city of 17,000; seven cities of from 9,000 to 12,000; ten cities of from 6,000 to 9,000. Meanwhile not only are the county townships emptying themselves into the cities, but also all Europe is being poured into them.

"The country churches must still be helped that the people they send into the cities may be trained into the Kingdom before they reach the city.

"The cities must be occupied. This Society cannot but hail with joy the timely organization in the city of Cleveland of a City Missionary Society."

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. EDWARD P. GOODWIN, D.D., President; Rev. JAMES TOMPKINS, D.D., Secretary; AARON B. MEAD, Esq., Treasurer. Office in Chicago.

The Secretary reports: "The receipts of the Home Missionary Society from this State have been \$30,960 24. Of this amount \$22,715.30 has been appropriated within the bounds of the State, and \$5,183 59 has been expended through the National Treasury. This sum does not include the receipts of the 'Chicago City Missionary Society,' which labors in connection with the State Society and performs the principal part of the large work done in the city of Chicago. That Society has received \$24,148 during the year which has been expended in the important missionary enterprises of that metropolis.

"The missionary force in the State during the past year does not vary much from that of the preceding. Aside from the superintendent, four (4) missionary evangelists, fifty (50) missionary pastors, one (1) Bohemian

Bible-reader, and eleven (11) missionaries without commission have labored under the direction of the Society. This does not include the missionaries appointed by the National Society for work among the 'Immigrant Populations.' These counted would add two (2) Bohemian workers, one (1) Polish, and three (3) Scandinavian. The superintendents of both the German and the Scandinavian work now make their headquarters in Chicago and add much to the interest and strength of these lines of work.

"The Gospel is now preached by our missionaries in eight different languages. We hope to increase this number until as many nationalities as were gathered at the day of Pentecost, shall be able to say, 'We do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.'

"The plan of operation for the year was to solidify and enlarge the work already undertaken. But some new enterprises have compelled our attention. Thirteen (13) new churches have been organized during the year; twenty two (22) have built or improved their houses of worship, and five (5) have secured parsonages.

"Notwithstanding the fact that we were hampered with the largest debt that has ever oppressed us, we are able to record the fact that the year has been one of gratifying results. There has been progress in every line of work. Large success has crowned the labors of our evangelists. Several churches 'that were ready to die' have been invigorated and brought to self-support. The deep and quiet work done by these men of God has doubled the membership of six churches and tripled that of three others. Some idea of the labors performed by these men can be gained from the following statement:

No. months of service.....	48
No. places visited during the year	183
No. services held.....	1,669
No. sermons and addresses delivered.....	1,308
No. Bible-readings prayer-meetings, and other services.....	911
No. pastoral visits made.....	2,462

"The increased interest in Home Missions which has been markedly manifest the past year is cheering. The pastors of our churches have presented this vital interest of the Kingdom to their people as never before. The call for home missionary literature has been double that of any previous year. The result is, the largest amount ever contributed has this year flowed into the treasury. It looks as though the people are beginning to appreciate the vast responsibility and the grand privilege which God has placed on his people in the United States to thoroughly Christianize this broad land. We *must* save America if we would save the world."

WISCONSIN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. CHARLES H. RICHARDS, D.D., President; Rev. THOMAS G. GRASSIE, Milwaukee, Secretary; A. G. WRIGHT, Esq., Milwaukee, Treasurer.

The Receipts of this Auxiliary for Home Missions within the year ending February 28, were:

From churches, individuals, legacies, and income.....	\$14 630 98
The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in Wisconsin, for the national work, within the year ending March 31	1,786 90
Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions.....	\$16,417 88
The Auxiliary expended on its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	\$12,546 53

"This Society has had in commission fifty-nine missionaries during the whole or a part of the year, and in connection with twenty-six others, mostly in the northern part of the State, and under commission of the A. H. M. S., has served 113 churches and stations, and performed sixty-one years of labor. Five churches have been organized, ten have reached self-support, and eight houses of worship have been erected. Eighty-one Sunday schools report a membership of 6,548.

"A steady and healthy progress," says Secretary Grassie, "attends our work, evinced chiefly in the following particulars: The resuscitation of churches, some of which had long ceased to have services; a steady gain in keeping our churches manned; a marked advance in the grade of our missionaries; increase of conversions; improvement as to the permanency of pastorates; an increase in the amount of contributions; general improvement in the strength of the churches.

"The value of General Missionaries with labor limited to a definite and moderately wide field, has been demonstrated with us. We have two: the Rev. Geo. W. Nelson in the northern, and Rev. R. L. Cheney in the central part of the State, both of whom have done most valuable and effective service.

"Also after an experience of three years we have demonstrated the value of the Gospel Tent and the Camp-meeting. In Central Wisconsin, under the direction of General Missionary Cheney, a large tent, capable of holding 300 or 400 people, was used, with a force of volunteer preachers, mostly missionaries in the neighborhood, and with provision for good gospel singing. The tent goes from point to point during the summer, stopping two or three weeks in a place. Multitudes, even in the most busy weeks of harvest, have flocked to these meetings. Many have been converted, and religious life has been deepened wherever the tent has gone. No agency has been so effective in proportion to the amount of effort and expense. In one community of considerable extent, Merritt, there was no church, and there had never been but occasional preaching. Into this spiritually 'desert place' the tent went last August.

A remarkable work of grace was wrought. A church of sixty members, since increased to eighty, was formed ; a pastor secured ; a meeting-house worth \$1,800 built, paid for and dedicated, all within five months. Out of the movement has grown a school which promises a development into a permanent Academy, and the founding of a Christian village named Endeavor, both of which were started, and are carried forward, by the church and its enterprising pastor. The starting of this work, which has transfigured a community in nine months, is due to our Gospel Tent.

NORTH WISCONSIN.

Rev. THOMAS G. GRASSIE, Milwaukee, Superintendent.

"This department," the Superintendent writes, "has had almost every church manned throughout the year. Twenty-six different missionaries have been employed. The few churches that have some part of the year been temporarily vacant by change of pastors have steadily sustained their work. The church of Rhinelander, though but seven years old, has built its second house of worship, having outgrown its first. Birnamwood, has dedicated its first house. Every church is now well housed. Superior and Peshtigo have come to self-support.

"Special difficulties attend the work in this district, among which are a changing population incident to new lumber towns, the reckless pursuit of money, the small proportion of Christians, the rude quality of many of the people, the supremacy of the saloon. So the few Christians have a severe struggle to make any headway or even to keep the churches from going under.

"Nevertheless the work has steadily held its way, and made gain, so that on the whole this has been the best year North Wisconsin has seen. Much is due to the steady, effective work of General Missionary Nelson.

"There is no rapid development in population except in the city of Superior and its vicinity. There the increase is remarkable, and the prospect is that a great metropolis will immediately develop there. Starting from a sluggish village, four years ago, it has already reached a population of 15,000, and is rushing forward at a rate that seems to insure double that figure in two years more. Our first church is self-supporting, and it is time, unless we are stupid to duty, to strike at once for two new missions. Can we have the money?"

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. TRUMAN O. DOUGLASS, Grinnell, Secretary ; J. H. MERRILL, Esq., Des Moines. Treasurer.

The Receipts of this Auxiliary for Home Missions, within the year ending February 28, were :

From churches, individuals, legacies, and income. \$21,147 41

The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies
in Iowa, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.. \$1,018 21

Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions. . . . \$22,165 62
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and ex-
penses, within the year ending February 23. \$19,624 04

One hundred and six missionaries have been in the employ of this Society during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with 117 churches and stations, and performed seventy-one years of labor. Fourteen churches have been organized, five churches have assumed self-support, seven houses of worship have been built, and five parsonages provided.

Secretary Douglass reports: "Among the notable facts relating to the work of the year are the following :

"1. The organization of four German churches. These, with one organized late the previous year, are among the results of the work of our General Missionary, Rev. Carl Hess. Previous to this but one German church had been organized in the State for more than twenty years.

"2. An unusual number of young men coming into the service of the Society. Eleven of our missionaries were ordained during the year. Two of them were ordained and installed.

"3. A growing stability in the work. There were fewer pastoral changes in home missionary fields than in former years. This is indicated in the fact that while we had a less number of missionaries employed than in the previous year, nine years more of service was performed. The work of the year also furnished evidence that the churches are becoming established and confirmed in the grace of giving to Home Missions. With less effort than usual to raise funds an unusual amount has been secured.

"This is this Auxiliary's ninth report. During these nine years the Society has issued about 600 commissions. Two hundred and forty-two different men have been employed by the Society, and 166 churches have had aid from its treasury. Under the auspices of the Society eighty-six churches have been organized and forty-nine established in self-support. In the work of these years the Society has expended \$111,856, and besides bearing the burden of self support, the Iowa churches have put into the treasury of the National Society only a little less than \$22,000.

"The demands of home missionary work in the State are still many and great. Not more than one half of our churches are fairly beyond the home missionary period of their existence. The State is very far from being thoroughly evangelized. A brother writes: 'I have visited ——. It is about as near to "Sheol" as any place I have been in for some

time. There are about fifteen or twenty miles square of regular heathenism which we dare not abandon. It is the most distinctly missionary field I know in Iowa. Alas, there are many such spots and solid squares even in this 'Garden of Eden.'

"The demand will not diminish, but increase for years to come. The population of the State is growing as it has not before for years. Our people are not leaving for 'the West' as they once did. Many are returning. The immigration, if not a flood, is a considerable stream. A single train the other day brought us 200 new citizens, and they were not foreigners.

"In a single township in Hancock County, which is 100 miles east of our western borders, 500 families will locate this spring. I have this information from what I consider reliable parties. New lines of railroads have been projected, and will undoubtedly be built in the near future. One line of considerable importance is now in process of construction.

"Material prosperity in these directions is creating, and will create, new demands for churches. Some of these must be Congregational churches. Six churches of this order were organized in the State in January, February, and the first week of March. And we can go on organizing at about this rate if only the men and the means can be secured to supply and sustain the work."

PENNSYLVANIA, NEW JERSEY, MARYLAND, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, VIRGINIA, AND WEST VIRGINIA.

REV. THOMAS W. JONES, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa., Superintendent.

The receipts from this missionary district have been \$16,577.93.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Thirty-seven missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with forty-four churches and stations. Four churches have been organized, five houses of worship built, and eight have been repaired. Thirty-four Sunday-schools report a membership of 3,969.

NEW JERSEY.—Eleven missionaries have been in commission within the year, and supplied eleven churches and stations. Five Sunday-schools report a membership of 608.

MARYLAND.—Two missionaries have been in commission, in connection with four churches and stations. One church has been organized, and two Sunday-schools report a membership of 400.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—One missionary has been in service during the year, and reports fifty-four church members and 150 scholars in the Sunday-school. The church is now self-sustaining.

VIRGINIA.—Two missionaries have been employed during the year in connection with two churches. They report 155 members, and three Sunday-schools with 200 scholars.

Superintendent Jones speaks of the religious interest that has prevailed in many places and of the marked success of the new Congregational enterprise at Germantown, Pa., under the pastorate of Rev. D. E. Marvin. He also refers to new work in other localities in that State as follows: "Two years ago I accompanied Rev. J. T. Mathews to look over Arnot, a mining town of 4,000 inhabitants, which we found had no minister of any denomination the Sabbath previous. We succeeded in interesting a few to start a mission. This winter fifty-three were added to the church organized out of that mission, and a new church edifice has been erected, which will soon be dedicated. A year ago I visited Horatio, a new town at the extreme limit of the Bell Gap Railroad. There was a small Congregational church organized by the Welsh, the first organized. This church, without a pastor, has completed a beautiful edifice with seating capacity for 300. It added this winter to its membership forty-six, and 125 to the Sunday-school.

"Three miles from Horatio at Cayville another church has been organized which promises to be as fruitful as the Horatio Church."

Of pastorless churches Dr. Jones says: "Fourteen have had occasional preaching or no preaching; the doors of the sanctuaries have been opened and services held, conducted by deacons or members. There are several small scattered churches too remote from each other to unite three or four under a pastor. They have houses of worship in some cases perishing. They were mining centers of interest once. They never will be again. Still the scattered remnants should have a traveling missionary to give them preaching as often as possible. It is sad to neglect, in their old age, the fathers and mothers who gave their sons and daughters to the churches and who, in their poverty and feebleness, are still trying to keep the gospel fire burning."

Of the churches in Maryland and the District of Columbia, Dr. Jones reports: "The church of Frostburgh expended \$1,250 on repairs. They were the past year spiritually blessed. At present they are pastorless. At Canton, a suburb of Baltimore, a new church was organized which may call for aid. Mt. Pleasant, Washington, since its organization four years ago, has made steady progress and has become self-supporting.

"The special meetings in the Tabernacle Church, Washington, under the lead of the new pastor, Rev. J. G. Jones, and conducted by Evangelist Hammond, resulted in 350 professed conversions. Of these twenty-seven united with the church last Sabbath, Dr. Rankin and others taking part in the services. Many more of the 350, it is expected, will unite. The contagion of the work passed into the First Church, and now the meetings are in progress there, with crowded houses.

"A colored church has recently organized in the capital of nearly 300 members, many of them financially able. This church will erect a fine edifice at once and will be self sustaining."

Reporting the field in general the Superintendent adds: "Special note should be made of the organization of the Woman's Missionary Union of Pennsylvania June last, by Mrs. Caswell. This organization thus far has enlisted more interest among the women of the churches than my most sanguine anticipation. The Woman's Home Missionary Union of the New Jersey Association was organized last month at Newark. The meeting was well attended and much interest manifested.

"The growth of Pennsylvania in the last decade exceeded the growth of the State of New York by 60,000. The State has now 5,258,000. New York gained 18 per cent. and Pennsylvania 23 per cent. It is becoming a State, more than any State in the Union, filled with populous cities, great mining and manufacturing centers. It is also the richest State in the Union in mineral and manufacturing productions. In the mineral productions of gold, silver, copper, and lead, Colorado produced the past year \$29,981,000. The Anthracite coal region alone in Eastern Pennsylvania, produced 40,000,000 of tons, at a marketable value of \$165,000,000. The bituminous coal fields of Western Pennsylvania are as rich and exhaustless, and in addition they produce millions in gas and oil.

"In Philadelphia new centers are springing up before our eyes, inviting any denomination to occupy them. Rev. Dr. Patterson, the editor of 'The Presbyterian,' said the other day in an address: 'Philadelphia is a city of homes and a social city, therefore does Presbyterianism flourish in it.' Is not this a soil for a denomination—the most social of all the denominations, our own? Most certainly it is. But it needs something more than soil and climate to raise a crop. It needs seed and labor—it needs money and labor to plant churches in cities."

FLORIDA, GEORGIA, AND ALABAMA.

REV. SULLIVAN F. GALE, Jacksonville, Florida, Superintendent.

The contributions for this district have been \$1,519.36.

FLORIDA.—Thirty-one missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year in connection with forty-one churches and nine stations. Five churches have been organized. Three houses of worship have been built. Two houses have been repaired. Thirty-four Sunday-schools report a membership of 1,513.

GEORGIA.—Twenty-four missionaries have been in service during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with eighty-five churches and stations, reporting a membership of 1,883 and forty-four Sunday-schools with 2,055 scholars. Six churches have been organized and three houses of worship erected.

ALABAMA.—Five missionaries have been employed during the whole or

a part of the year in connection with twelve churches and stations. Two houses of worship have been built.

Of Florida, Superintendent Gale says: "Of the forty-one churches, Orange Park is aided by the American Missionary Association, Winter Park has had no aid since the founding of Rollins College, and the payment of salary by college as well as church to the pastor president. The rest may be classed as dependent.

"The work in West Florida has been very successful. On April 1st Rev. E. G. Tyner, then a licentiate of the Florida Association, began his work with the church in Bonifay, a church that has waited two long years for a pastor and the aid that would enable it to give him a living.

"All West Florida was open to him, many places loudly calling for the Gospel. On the railroad running through that part of the State the missionary's explorations and undertakings were prosecuted. Before the end of his first year and of the missionary year of this report he had organized three other churches, more Sunday-schools, and had been chiefly influential in establishing a school that aims to be an academy high school, and in organizing the Florida Western District Conference of four churches and four ministers, three of whom were ordained at the time the Conference was organized.

"There is a remarkable and very sad religious destitution in those western counties. There are the slimy trail of the Mormon elders, the secret (?) dens of the moonshiners, and many dark places where the gospel light is needed.

"A good foothold we have in that region, had a happy 'entering in' and made a good record the first year of missionary work in those parts. If the school at Bonifay were the only fruit of the Society's expenditure not a cent could be called wasted. The church, the Sunday-school, and the day-school, with God's blessing, can regenerate West Florida. It should be said that our welcome is hearty; the people take hold of these missionary enterprises with zeal and hope, and the promise is good.

"In scattering the gospel seed 'by all waters' the A. H. M. S. cannot refuse to sow from the Chattahoochee westward between Alabama and the Gulf. The four ordinations in Florida are worth notice, as showing that Congregationalism is here to stay and work out its mission in part by the regular development which everywhere distinguishes it. It may not rely wholly upon an imported ministry. It must here also lay the foundations and build up from them. The South as well as the West must build up a ministry.

"Rollins College, a missionary offspring of the A. H. M. S., seems clearly to have entered a new era of development and prosperity. More members of the faculty have been enrolled than ever before, and many more students. A magnificent gymnasium has been given and dedi-

cated, the campus has, by gift, been much enlarged and greatly increased in value, and several new buildings are required by the exigency of growth.

"The sugar industry, of which I prophesied when reporting my first explorations, is a great accomplished fact for Florida.

"And chiefly during the year the phosphate finds have given an immense impetus to the commercial development of the State. A dozen millions of dollars have already been invested in phosphate lands and in the mining, manufacturing, and shipping of phosphate. Phosphate fortunes are no myths. The population as by the last census has much the largest rate of increase among the Southern States. Probably the assurance entertained for the general prosperity and greatness of the commonwealth was never so well grounded as now.

"And looking beyond Florida it grows plain that Florida Congregationalism has a mission in store not only within the peninsula but beyond it.

"The Cuban work in Tampa, ready at our hand, waits for the right man to take it. The waiting should be shortened, cut short.

"GEORGIA —The work in Georgia, new and old, has progressed very favorably. Of the fifty-one churches in this State which are allied in and represented by the recent union of three denominations, thirty-nine have been aided, mostly in small amounts, by the Society, and in this service twenty-one ministers have been employed.

"One District Conference was organized, the Blue Ridge, composed of four churches, two of which, Suches and Cartecay, were new ones, and four ministers, none of whom were new. This comprises all of the Georgia churches that may properly be said to be in the mountains.

"The year has brought on the whole such a degree of growth and increase of strength to the Georgia churches as calls for devout thanksgiving. What chiefly marks the ecclesiastical progress of the year is the organization of the General Congregational Convention of Georgia, a State body against which no objection lies and no exception can justly be taken. In it all the churches of the State are represented, according to the New England model, by delegates chosen by the several local bodies. These maintain their present organization intact and deal properly with ministerial and ecclesiastical standing and all such matters as come properly before local bodies, and only exceptionally and in general inconveniently before State bodies, while the Convention is such a general, comprehensive organization as may most properly stand between the local bodies of the State and the National Council.

After speaking of the efficient General Missionaries, Rev. S. C. McDaniell and Rev. S. E. Bissett, Mr. Gale continues: "To this force was added Rev. W. L. Jones, of Macon, on April 1st, being in part relinquished

from pastoral care that hemight extend this general service to the South-east in this great State.

"In this section is a considerable body of churches which, on the ground of their close kinship with the Congregational Methodist of Georgia, had contemplated union with then before they and the Congregationalists united. Rev. Mr. Jones had been influential in the matter at that time, and now he seems to be about to lead to consummation this further union which surely will much increase our opportunity, responsibility, and usefulness among the people.

"ALABAMA.—Our trail into Alabama, which State was added to this superintendency last June, was made by the two churches of Phoenix City and Mount Jefferson, of which Rev. S. E. Bassett was pastor, and later by the Kingston and Golson churches, of which Rev. G. W. Hutchins was pastor, and the Gate City church, to which Rev. L. C. Partridge was called in December. The church of Shelby should also be named here, Rev. J. S. Upton, pastor, although not on the list of the Society during the year. These, with others of the Congregational Methodist branch of the church, have, during the year, joined in constituting five District Conferences of North and South Alabama, these latter following lines hitherto run by the North Alabama and the South Alabama State Conferences of the Congregational Methodist Church. Thus in these bodies are comprised thirty churches with about as many ministers and more than 1,500 members.

"Worthy of special mention, in connection with the missionary work just begun in Alabama, is the new and vigorous church at Fort Payne, starting out independently of missionary aid under the wise and successful leadership of Rev. E. A. Berry; and in connection with this church, and in fact with the churches of the State, comes also into being under the presidency of Rev. E. A. Berry, the Fort Payne Academy with great promise of enlargement and usefulness and in answer to clamorous needs of the great heart of the New South, comprised in its territory lying in the three States of Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee. The outlook is good that the Society's interests in Alabama will issue to the great satisfaction of all friends of Home Missions.

"This report should also note a beginning in North Carolina. This comes about from the re-organization of the Golden Valley District Conference of the Congregational Methodist Church, consisting of eight churches and five ministers with four licentiates. The Deep River Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church has also taken preliminary action toward union, and several of the churches have ratified the same under the lead of Rev. R. R. Brookshire, of Marion.

"Your Superintendent, upon urgent invitation, made three tours in North Carolina to advise and aid in this work. This work lies in the

western part of the State and not at a great distance from Northeast Georgia.

“It ought to be fostered by the Society, and at least a small sum of missionary funds should be available for it. The field presents remarkable destitution and missionary opportunities.”

MISSOURI, ARKANSAS, INDIAN AND OKLAHOMA TERRITORIES.

REV. FRANKLIN B. DOE, St. Louis, Superintendent.

The receipts from this missionary district have been \$6,653.18.

MISSOURI.—Sixty-one missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year in connection with eighty-one churches and stations. Six churches have been organized. Four houses of worship have been erected and three houses repaired. Four young men have been reported as preparing for the ministry, and sixty-six Sunday-schools report a membership of 6,939.

ARKANSAS.—Four missionaries and seven teachers have been in service during the whole or a part of the year. One church organized. Four Sunday-schools report a membership of 285.

INDIAN TERRITORY.—Sixteen missionary workers, including ten teachers, have been in commission during a whole or a part of the year in connection with twenty churches, stations, and schools.

OKLAHOMA TERRITORY.—Ten missionaries have been in commission during a whole or a part of the year in connection with twenty-five churches and stations. Twelve churches have been organized.

The above figures do not include the sums expended in St. Louis by the Congregational City Missionary Society of that city. The Rev. A. L. Love, Superintendent of that Society, reports the total of receipts for the year to be \$15,719.90, and a total of expenditures, \$15,331.45. We are glad to acknowledge in this report the excellent work accomplished by this Society during the year.

Of Missouri, the Superintendent says: “We record the death of two beloved ministers in Missouri, one a pioneer missionary, though without charge for several past years, Rev. E. D. Seward, lovingly called ‘Father Seward,’ a man of sterling Christian integrity. Rev. John M. Bowers was also a pioneer missionary, organizing the churches at Sedalia, Windsor, and Green Ridge, and late pastor of the Kidder Church. He was a kind of Apostle John, a peacemaker, an earnest and consecrated minister. These rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

“Under the circumstances the receipts from the State are highly satisfactory. Our Woman’s Union is specially efficient and its influence is felt throughout the State. The missionary churches have done nobly

The most remarkable case is Mine La Motte, seventy-five dollars, about five dollars per member. It is worthy of note that not one church is delinquent. All have contributed. Of course this did not simply happen so. We have made a special effort.

"The St. Louis City Missionary Society, of which the Rev. A. L. Love has been recently appointed Superintendent, is aggressive and efficient. A City Superintendent who can give his whole time to new points, of course adds much to that efficiency.

"It is a great help to our work in the State to be strong and efficient at the metropolis; the pulsing heart sending its life blood into every vein and artery of the denominational body.

"St. Louis is now strongly equipped with ministers, and so with the entire State. We have little difficulty in filling vacancies, and make a constant gain in the quality of service rendered; some ministers quite acceptable six years ago are not wanted now. There is a higher ideal.

"Our churches stand high in Christian integrity and practical righteousness. We are seen to put stress on character. We are also recognized as being in quick and warm sympathy with men, as humane in our faith, as touching human life at many points, as pervaded with the missionary spirit, and as seeking the best good of men in this world as well as their salvation in the world to come. In fine we are looked upon, especially by an intelligent outside class, as having a vital faith, intense reality and activity, and not as simply turning the crank of an old ecclesiastical machine. This is one part of our mission in this section of country.

"ARKANSAS.—Only six congregations have been supplied and nine commissions issued, including teachers in Rogers and Siloam Academies. These schools are getting a deeper hold on the people every year. Rogers has one graduate in Chicago Seminary. We expect them to need less aid next year. There ought to be an annual reduction. One church has been organized, the People's Church in Little Rock, with forty members.

"INDIAN TERRITORY.—Twenty-four missionaries have been commissioned, including teachers, preaching to forty-five congregations, more or less. Worcester Academy is still improving and is favorably known in the Territory. The grant for next year will be somewhat lessened for educational purposes. Wilberforce Institute is regarded as a wonder among the colored people. Principal Roberts has raised the grade several degrees.

"OKLAHOMA makes the best showing in results, and will be most inviting for a few years to come. The work requires a large annual outlay, but in the long run will bring corresponding returns. We have been fortunate, so far, in the places occupied and the men employed. The

liability is of using too much third-rate ministerial material as the best do not like to go there.

"Total number of churches organized since April 1st, is fifteen. Oklahoma City, Downs, Hennessey 1st, Hennessey—Hope, West Guthrie, Seward, Pleasant Ridge, Choctaw City, Stillwater, Windem, Crescent City, El Reno, twelve churches with 304 members. Church edifices, nine. Sunday-school pupils, 792. Ten out-stations are supplied. Home missionary receipts, \$50. Union receipts, \$40. Seward has a school-house just finished which can be used for worship. El Reno has just commenced building a chapel. An outsider in St. Louis contributes \$150 toward its erection. The morning cometh!"

TEXAS AND LOUISIANA.

REV. CYRUS I. SCOFIELD, Dallas, Texas, General Missionary.

The contributions from this district have been \$659.24.

TEXAS.—Eight missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year in connection with six churches. One house of worship in course of erection. Forty-one additions to church membership and fifty conversions have been reported. Four Sunday-schools report a membership of 410.

LOUISIANA.—Eleven missionaries have been in commission within the year, serving the whole or a part of the time in connection with twenty-two churches and stations. One church has been organized, and eleven Sunday schools report a membership of 261. Two chapels in course of erection.

The Rev. C. I. Scofield says: "Without exception the churches in 1 Texas and Louisiana have made gratifying gains in membership, benevolences, and, it is believed, in influence.

"Since my last report the Eleventh Census has been taken with the anticipated result, that Texas advances to the fifth place in the sisterhood of States. No statistician doubts that the Fourteenth Census will place her at the head. This means that it depends upon the work done for Christ in Texas during the next twenty years, whether the future tremendous power shall be a menace or an assurance. In the taking and holding of this empire for Christ the churches of the Pilgrim order have a responsibility which can neither be transferred nor evaded.

"Ten tempting opportunities for the planting of churches—every one a strategic point—await the replenishment of the Home Missionary treasury.

"The center of interest in this department during the past year has been Lake Charles College, La. Lake Charles, a thriving and prosperous young city, is the natural capital of the rich region in Southwestern

Louisiana, into which a steady stream of immigration from Dakota, Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, and Kansas has been flowing for five years. Here we have established an urgently needed college of high grade which was opened under the presidency of the Rev. Henry L. Hubbell, D.D., last October. Starting under the disadvantages of unpreparedness and haste, the number of students is already gratifyingly large and the prospect seems assured of crowded halls next term.

"But while it is possible thus to speak of solid progress in the work already in hand, it is still true, as it was three years ago, that 'Texas is a vast, ungrasped opportunity.' Besides the strategic points to be first occupied, doors of opportunity are opening in smaller but most needy places all over the field. New work in the larger cities of Texas, like similar work in New York, is necessarily costly, as compared with that done in raw prairie villages; but in these larger places our churches find their most fruitful field and touch the springs of widest influence. If the Dallas Church were duplicated, as it might be, at El Paso, Houston, Galveston, San Antonio, Waco, and Texarkana, the churches of our order would have a position simply authoritative upon questions social, educational, and religious in the Southwest."

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA,

REV. E. LYMAN HOOD, Albuquerque, N. M., Superintendent.

The contributions from this district have been \$726. Seven missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year in connection with fourteen churches and stations. Seven Sunday-schools report a membership of 445.

Superintendent Hood says: "The year has been a hard and trying one. Emigration to the Pacific Coast took not a few of our members. The excessive drought in the northern half of the territories in the summer, and the unusual floods in the southern half in the winter months, have affected all interests.

"It has been a debt-paying rather than a church-building year. No churches have been organized, but four of the stations will welcome pastors, and the churches can be organized as soon as we have the money to employ the missionaries and send them to these needy fields.

"The work among the native Mexicans is especially urgent and promising at this time. A training school has been established to prepare worthy helpers for work among these people. Two young men are preparing for the ministry in this school, and more candidates are in view. A meeting, unique in the history of our denomination, was held during the holidays in this school. Missionaries and teachers from both Old and

New Mexico, representing three National Societies, gathered for conference and prayer.

"Arizona has a larger proportion of Americans. In New Mexico the Mexicans still comprise three fourths of the population. The first public school law the Territory has ever had was passed during the year. This marked advance, in the face of intense opposition of the Roman Church, was largely due to the influence and work of the Protestant missions.

"There have been no changes in the pastorates in Arizona; but in New Mexico all of the old pastors left during the year. Rev. J. M. Ashley, who was the first Congregational missionary to the Southwest, and long a pastor in Albuquerque, writes he is becoming very infirm with age and has gone East to spend the remaining years of his life."

INDIANA.

REV. E. D. CURTIS, Indianapolis, Superintendent.

The contributions from this State have been \$1,907.58. Thirty-nine missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, serving forty nine churches and stations. Eight churches have been organized. Ten houses of worship have been built, and one now in process of erection. Thirty-six Sunday-schools report a membership of 3,178.

Superintendent Curtis says: "The increase has been 25 per cent. in church building, and 33 per cent. in parsonages this year.

"Crops were poor, and collections have been difficult in agricultural communities in Central Indiana. The new settlements and suburban communities entered by the Society are devoid of wealth. Money is scarce in these outlying fields. It has been a rare achievement for many of the feeble churches to carry through their building enterprises amid such difficulties.

"Congregationalists of the State have, as one man, come to the rescue. There has been this year generous giving all along the line. The churches have taxed themselves heavily, but the burdens have been borne with heroism and faith. The fellowship of churches is more real because of this mutuality of interest.

"A church whose pastor received \$600 per year, and whose members are in very moderate circumstances, gave \$375 in aid of a struggling sister church engaged in building. Individual gifts reaching beyond the parish limits were numerous. One brother gave \$100 each to two churches, and \$50 each to two other churches engaged in building. These new churches, located in growing communities, give us an additional foothold in Indiana. Carefully fostered they will root themselves, and become centers of social influence, and bear abundant fruitage.

"As intelligence respecting the methods, aims and past history of the Society is disseminated in these new fields an interest springs up and gifts increase. The regular contributions show a percentage of gain, even under the strain of needed outlays in lots and buildings.

"Indiana is in most portions a new field for Congregationalism. We test the congeniality of our methods and principles by noting the response which comes from the people. It is of great interest to know that there is plainly marked upon the dial of our State the undoubted evidences of a self propagating, self-developing power, under the blessing of God.

"Revivals of religion have been frequent and powerful. In the Coal Mine Mission, union meetings continued eight weeks with more than a hundred hopeful conversions and sixty-eight additions to membership. In several instances revivals commenced immediately upon the occupancy of the new buildings.

"As a whole, Indiana has a body of devout missionaries, sound in doctrine, zealous and effective laborers in the vineyard of the Master. Their influence is increasingly felt in the Society at large, and by the churches of other names, they are with considerable success, adapting themselves to their surroundings and bringing the church life which they represent into sympathy with ever-enlarging circles of acquaintance.

"Great areas of the State are peopled by men from the South. The westward parallel of Kentucky covers one-third of our Territory, and a large increment of our population.

"But the country is not alone 'going West,' it is going South. The great parallel of moral inertia from Washington west through the Ohio Valley and the Cumberland Plateau has lost its *raison d'être*. It is no longer the terminal moraine of the great forces of our civilization. It is not a dreary *marche* separating the best life of antagonistic systems by its neglected populations. The barriers of slavery and prejudice having given way we may confidently predict a rapid development of the entire region.

"With more means at command we could, in a perfectly legitimate way, greatly increase at once our Indiana field. We are hampered by the straitened finances of the Society, and prevented from occupying strategic points just now open and awaiting our work.

"The unprecedented growth near Chicago could easily absorb our entire apportionment in legitimate and telling work.

"The natural-gas belt continues to develop sizable towns with astonishing rapidity.

"The multiplying communities of coal mines, not always at first on the most congenial terms with the old-time Hoosier sects, call loudly for our help to plant gospel institutions and assimilate the old and new elements into a strong and healthful American church.

“Along the Kentucky border the raising of fruit is receiving attention. With climatic conditions especially adapted to this valuable industry it does not seem improbable that we are on the eve of a great change for the better in that region. Already a new impulse has been given to the people there. A recent missionary tour developed great interest in our cause. It certainly is our golden opportunity, as it is also the crucial hour of the destiny of the West Allegheny valleys, and the entire Central West. ‘The Mayflower’ brought not harvest, but seed. Every day we fail to sow is lost.”

MICHIGAN.

REV. LEROY WARREN, Lansing, Superintendent.

The receipts from this State for Home Missions, within the year, have been 16,302.68. One hundred and twenty-three missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with 217 churches and stations. Eight churches have been organized, and thirteen churches assumed self-support. Five houses of worship have been built, and twenty-seven houses repaired. One hundred and eighty-one Sunday-schools report a membership of 13,559.

Our veteran Superintendent, the Rev. Leroy Warren, makes the following report: “The number of missionaries employed is sixteen less than the preceding year. This is not due entirely to the smaller amount of work done, but in part to the fact that fewer changes have occurred.

“The increase of population in Michigan was slightly less in the last decade than in the one preceding, and the rate per cent. of increase very much less. Michigan as a whole has passed the period of most rapid growth. The northern counties still continue to receive a large immigration from Canada, from Scandinavia, and from Central and Northern Europe. For many years to come there will be a steady demand for the planting of Congregational churches. The work among the foreign-born especially ought to be immediately enlarged. The Upper Peninsula more than doubled its population in the last decade, and constitutes the most promising and needy part of our field. In the northern part of the Lower Peninsula, also, a few counties doubled or nearly doubled their population. The northern half of the State still presents all the conditions that call for home missionary aid and for most vigorous efforts in planting churches, building houses of worship, and developing an orderly Christian society. The need of vigorous work in this part of the State was never greater than to day. The need of home missionary expenditure in some of the northern counties will be increased by the fact that some churches in that part of the State must necessarily have a protracted period of dependence. They have been planted in villages or settlements

supported chiefly by some form of the lumber business or manufactures from wood. As the supply of timber is exhausted the lumber business ceases, and the population dependent upon it is scattered. More than thirty churches in Northern Michigan to-day are passing through this crisis. The saw mills and shingle mills are removed. The people employed in connection with them have gone or are going. In some instances almost the entire membership and congregation of the church have gone. Other Congregational churches, which are now comparatively prosperous, must in the same manner suffer great depletion when the lumber business passes away, and before agriculture comes slowly in. It is just as necessary to help these churches preserve their existence and maintain their work as it is to organize new churches.

"Notwithstanding the great difficulties of the work and of securing the necessary men and means, we are yet looking hopefully toward State self support in the near future. The Providence which has hitherto cared for these churches will certainly care for them still. We shall doubtless find it easier in some respects to raise the money for the work when it is all our own. There will be a greater sense of responsibility. The experience of other States which have recently become self-supporting shows also that we shall find it easier to raise money for foreign missions when we are relieved from the sense of dependence in our own State work. The year 1892 is our providential opportunity for assuming self support. The completion of the fiftieth year of the State Association will mean much to all our churches. They have wisely decided to commemorate the jubilee year by assuming State self support. It is the only commemoration worthy of the founders and honorable to ourselves. Without self-support the attainment of our fiftieth year will be a humiliation instead of a joy."

MINNESOTA.

REV. JOHN H. MORLEY, Minneapolis, Superintendent.

The receipts from this State have been \$11,609.96. One hundred and twenty missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with 156 churches and seventy six stations. Thirteen churches have been organized; thirteen houses of worship have been erected; six churches assumed self support; fourteen houses of worship repaired. One hundred and fifty-four Sunday-schools report a membership of 9,293, and twelve young men have been reported as preparing for the ministry.

The Superintendent reports as follows: "Among the cheering indications of our work is the fact that the most of our churches have been supplied with pastors. Partly by the employment of men not fully prepared, whom we are training by a course of study, and partly from regular

sources, the supply of ministers has been nearly adequate. This has enabled us to fill some of our smaller churches which have been commonly unsupplied.

"There has been much material progress in securing parsonages and meeting-houses and repairing them. Contributions have increased. Two home missionary days have been observed, with gratifying results in contributions from churches both small and large. This is especially pleasing as the financial depression has been severe.

"We have made some notable gains in the cities during the year, especially in Minneapolis. The planting of Lowry Hill Church, self-supporting from the first, is an important advance. Situated as this church is upon a site at which several denominations were looking eagerly, destined as it certainly is to be strong, it is a matter of honest pride that it is planted in the faith and polity of the Pilgrims. Another church of no less promise, but for the present needing the fostering care of the Society, is Oak Park Church, occupying a field practically unsupplied with the Gospel. The forming of the First Scandinavian Congregational Church in a portion of the city with a large population of that name but without Scandinavian churches is a noble step forward; while just outside of the city, at the Twin City Stockyards, a church has been planted with promise of vigorous life. Not to speak of advance in other cities, the planting of these enterprises, some of them so promising, in Minneapolis, shows the aggressiveness of Congregationalism.

"Our country work, always important (for Minnesota is a great agricultural commonwealth), is prosperous and hopeful. This is seen by the large number of churches that have secured meeting-houses and parsonages as well as by the diminishing number that are pastorless. Both in the city and country we have been blessed with revivals of religion, some of our church being made strong by conversions from the world. Some of the churches long on our lists and almost trying the patience of the Society by their calls for help have taken new life, and will soon be self-supporting.

"We feel sorely the need of money. Our churches think that they are crowded to self-support too soon. Six and possibly seven have accomplished self-support during the year, in a majority of cases heartily, but in some cases feeling that they were entitled to longer care. We have been obliged to reduce aid in a few instances more than we felt was proper. The calls for new work are imperative. When plans have been laid for years and at last the opportunity to strike comes, it almost seems that we must advance and trust in the Lord and ourselves and the churches for the money needed. Our appropriation this year is much too small for the work already laid out, while some advance is imperative, but also impossible, unless financial deliverance comes from some quarter."

KANSAS.

Rev. L. P. BROAD, Topeka, Superintendent.

The churches of this State have contributed to the A. H. M. S., within the year, \$5,327.74. Seventy-seven missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with 120 churches and forty stations. One hundred and eight Sunday-schools report a membership of 7,229. Seven churches have assumed self-support. Five churches have been organized, three houses of worship have been erected, and twenty-three repaired. Twenty-six young men have been reported as preparing for the ministry, and about sixty-two series of revival meetings have been held in the missionary churches, resulting in 670 conversions, and 529 additions to church membership.

The Superintendent, Rev. L. P. Broad, says: "Spiritually, this has been a year of marked progress; materially a year of struggle; but material losses have been more than counterbalanced by spiritual gains, and our whole cause is stronger than one year ago. For four years Kansas has been struggling under great burdens, of which the greatest has been the collapse of a speculative craze. The State had become too popular in the East, and the sudden withdrawal of eastern capital in 1887, combined with short crops, brought business largely to a stand-still. But this experience has brought its permanent benefits. Business has been getting on a sounder basis during these trying intervening years. Speculation has ceased. Prudence, legitimate industry, and economy are taking its place. The fertile soil remains; the enterprising, resolute citizens are still here; and the outlook for crops, our great resource, was never finer than this spring. A vast acreage has been put into wheat. In Western Kansas more land is being tilled than for several years, and even some farmers there are reducing their mortgages and paying old accounts. There has been some suffering on our frontier, during the past winter, for the necessities of life; but great effort has been made in the State to relieve it. The main want now in that section is seed, and that is being provided by the State and private effort. Hopefulness prevails.

"The State has held its own well in population. We have now 1,423,000 people, a gain of over 400,000 in ten years. Kansas can hardly retrograde more with her splendid natural resources and enterprising inhabitants who have learned wisdom in the conduct of business affairs in a new country.

"Political agitations, too, the outgrowth largely of financial distress, have disturbed the public mind. No State, perhaps, has ever witnessed a greater political revolution than Kansas when its Republican majority of 82,000 in 1888 was reduced 5,000 in 1890.

"In some respects these untoward circumstances have proved a boon to our churches.

"1. There is temptation no longer to plant churches on the basis of enthusiasm instead of calm judgment.

"2. Churches and pastors have realized the disadvantages of instability, and so pastorates are becoming longer and more efficient than during the speculative period.

"3. The religious life of the churches has been advanced. Christian character has had a chance to grow in these quiet times.

"4. During the past winter Kansas has enjoyed a well-nigh universal revival of religion, and our own churches have shared in the rich blessing.

"5. The thorough and strict methods of our Board of Directors, K. H. M.S., in thinning out churches that should not be aided, has had free scope. The result is that we now have a band of selected churches which all agree are worthy of support. In Eastern Kansas, within that section where one half of the population reside we are aiding no field that does not promise early self-support. We strictly avoid all expenditure there on any other basis. In Central Kansas our churches are progressing toward self-support, and some have recently assumed self-support voluntarily with great sacrifice. In Western Kansas we are holding permanent centers. Other churches on the frontier that are aided are selected ones, as purely missionary fields which would otherwise be destitute of religious privileges.

"A specially encouraging feature of the year has been the assumption of self-support by churches from whom this was not yet expected.

"Our great need now is:

"1. Sufficient missionary money to maintain our old work. It is all legitimate, and nearly all of it advancing toward self-support.

"2. Some money for new work. Important centers of population are opening to us. The southeastern portion of the State is particularly prosperous because of the development of mines, and at some points there we could plant churches which would be self-supporting in a few years and do a grand work of evangelization.

"The northern portion of the State, with its uninterrupted prosperity, invites us to plant new churches here and there in towns, and some very promising and spiritually needy rural sections should be occupied. At a moderate estimate ten new churches should be planted this year."

NEBRASKA.

Rev. HARMON BROSS, Lincoln, Superintendent.

The receipts from this State, within the year, have been \$5,323.83. Eighty eight missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a

part of the year, in connection with 139 churches and stations. Ten churches have been organized, eight houses of worship have been built, and twelve houses repaired. Five parsonages have been provided. One hundred and twelve Sunday-schools report a membership of 6,748.

The Superintendent reports: "In consideration of the very hard times consequent upon the failure of crops in a large part of the State, and the poverty and suffering in many of the counties in the western part of the State, the record of our contributions is a very creditable one. We have put forth the most strenuous effort to secure an offering of some sort from every church within our borders, and at this writing it looks as if every church would be in line. The story of some of these offerings from our feeble churches on the frontier, where many of the people have themselves been cared for by their neighbors in the eastern part of the State, is most touching. The devotion of these churches to the Home Missionary Society is deep and strong. It seems almost incredible that with the stringency through which we have been passing our contributions should so largely exceed those of the previous year. The results have been secured only by the untiring efforts of a good many working together. Churches in the eastern part of the State, after contributing to the physical necessities of their brethren at the front, have given of their substance that they might have the Gospel also.

"Ten churches have been organized during the year. While the gathering of nearly all of these churches has been in some way connected with our home missionary work, they are so connected with other fields and cared for in that way that we have asked a commission for only a single missionary for a field not occupied last year. In fact, such has been the persistent effort to combine fields, that we have fewer men in commission now than one year ago. It is safe to say that we have reached the utmost limit in that direction of economizing our forces. Two churches, Chadron and Beatrice, have come to self-support. Both have made the most heroic effort to reach that goal.

"The heroism and devotion of our home missionary pastors through the past winter have been worthy of all commendation. All the early part of the winter was exceptionally mild, or great suffering must have been experienced. Here and there a pastor has become disheartened and gone back East, but for the most part pastors have chosen to cleave to their people and to pass with them through whatever trial or privation might come. It ought to have mention here that the generous offerings of the Ladies' Aid Societies in our Eastern churches have made it possible for some to stay who otherwise must have gone or suffered great discomfort and privation in remaining.

"One of our veteran home missionary pastors has been called to the reward beyond, Rev. Samuel C. Dean, who died at South Bend, Sept.

8, 1890. Mr. Dean had been laboring in Nebraska eighteen years, and for most of the time under commission of the Society. He was a man of sterling Christian character, an efficient minister of the Gospel of Christ.

"Never in the history of our Nebraska work have there been so many special meetings with good results as during the past winter. About 500 have united with our home missionary churches on confession of faith during the past year.

"The failure of crops in the western part of the State, and the consequent poverty of the people, interrupted plans of extension in that direction. We had hoped to enter permanently at least three important fields in western Nebraska, where students were at work during the summer, and where the demand was most urgent; but so many churches were compelled to ask additional aid that no means were left with which to enter new fields. A number of our churches also have been left pastorless, because assurances could not be given of sufficient aid to supply them with efficient pastors; and it has been found wise to encourage only the best men for these isolated fields. We must have strong, true men, or else let the work wait until they can be secured. Other denominations that have been employing uneducated men now see their mistake, and we must not repeat it. The good name of our common Christianity suffers in so many of our new communities because of unworthy leaders. Efficient men in pastorates who come to stay and to build up work means efficient work all along the line. The sifting process that has been in progress will not be without its compensation.

"The abundant snows of the winter, both upon the prairies and in the mountains to the west of us, argue a bountiful year of crops. Our churches have been made strong by the revival work of the past winter, a number of good ministers expect soon to come into the State, and we look most hopefully toward the future."

NORTH DAKOTA.

Rev. HENRY C. SIMMONS, Fargo, North Dakota, Superintendent.

The contributions from this State have been \$857.36.

Thirty-five missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with ninety churches and stations. Four churches have been organized. Fifty-two Sunday-schools report a membership of 1,744. Nine houses of worship have been erected.

The Superintendent, Rev. H. C. Simmons, says: "The past year in North Dakota has been one of severe trial to the churches in some of the southern and western counties, because of the repeated failure of crops in these parts, though as a whole the State has prospered. The Red River Valley was blessed with a bountiful crop, and, with a good

price for wheat, there has been prosperity. During no year have there been so many church buildings erected as the past year.

"Harwood with the close of the year undertakes self-support. One or two other churches are almost at the point, and we hope that next year will see them on the Roll of Honor.

"The year has been one of precious revivals in the churches.

"The per cent. of additions to the churches in North Dakota has been larger than in any other State in the Union.

"The hopeful indications for a crop and the prospect for a good crop are having their effect upon the immigration, and we look forward to an enlarged work. We find it difficult to find suitable men who are willing to take hold of our smaller fields. The supply of such ministers will probably always be short.

"General Missionary Stickney has proved an invaluable addition to the general force of the State. His work in caring for the smaller pastorless churches has kept them alive, and is an illustration of the way that many of our smaller churches must be cared for.

"A beginning has been made in the employment of Rev. A. H. Nelson in the work among the Norwegian and Danish people in the State. Mr. Nelson has been ordained by Council during the year."

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Rev. HIRAM D. WIARD, Mitchell, South Dakota, Superintendent.

The receipts from this State have been \$1,280.78.

Eighty-five missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, serving 136 churches and sixty-three stations. Ten churches have been organized. Three houses of worship have been erected, and three houses repaired. Two parsonages have been provided, and four young men have been reported as preparing for the ministry.

Superintendent Wiard reports: "Drought and poverty are so interwoven in our State as to make our work for the past year one of great difficulty, yet through the grace given us we have been able to accomplish something and advance our foothold upon the State. Financially we have gone backward, so that one of our self-supporting churches, Redfield, must again receive aid from the A. H. M. S. or have no minister, while Ipswich, Columbia, and Plankinton, which had almost reached self-support, must, owing to drought and consequent removals, and loss of property, be carried by the Society yet longer or discontinue work.

"Forty of our churches have suffered disaster by drought, while all have felt its depression more or less.

"We have, however, organized seven churches during the time covered by this report.

"There have been some excellent results from revival efforts, and we have seen our work grow notwithstanding drought, poverty, and discouragement.

"A revival on Missionary Crater's field added twenty-five to his country churches. Out of a series of meetings held by Missionary Doty grew a good vigorous church of twenty-three members, Gregory, or as now called, Spring Farm Church.

"We have three students working in the newly opened Sioux Reservation for the summer months, so that the Gospel is preached to the newcomers in that part of our State.

"Our work has been kept alive by the constancy and faithful service of our missionaries. It is worth a life of service to see a band of men who, through severest trial, will stay by a missionary field on half pay because they will not forsake their people in their hardships.

"The outlook for the future is much more hopeful than for some time past. The greatest subterranean basin of water underlying the greater portion of our State is being tapped by artesian wells, and we confidently expect to be independent of droughts in the near future. Only the poverty of our people prevents the rapid development of our State's resources in this direction. Our farmers are also learning what branches of farming are best adapted to our State, and the sheep and wool industries are promising features of our future. It is estimated that 300,000 sheep have been brought into our State in the last year.

"The new National Land Law, requiring fourteen months' residence only, to secure a title to lands, will doubtless bring large numbers into our many opening reservations; indeed, already many are said to be coming this way."

BLACK HILLS (SOUTH DAKOTA), NORTH AND EAST WYOMING.

Rev. GREGORY J. POWELL, Chadron, Neb., Superintendent.

The contributions from this district have been \$227.54.

BLACK HILLS.—Six missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year in connection with thirteen churches and stations.

NORTH AND EAST WYOMING.—Six missionaries have been employed within the year in connection with eleven churches and stations.

Superintendent Powell says: "The Black Hills part of my district seems to be on the eve of great development. Our churches are fairly prosperous and well manned. We are able to secure more efficient ministers now that the material prospects of this region have brightened. Railroads are bringing money and people. We are the only denomination having self-supporting churches in the Hills.

"In Wyoming the churches grow very slowly. The people who settle in these far western towns are, in the main, such as can get along comfortably without churches. Unless the towns grow rapidly, we are compelled to hold on with a tight grasp and spend much money before our church work becomes strongly established.

"Of the strategic points north of the Union Pacific Railroad we have a place in all but two. The new State of Wyoming needs only capital and time to call to her a large population. We need enough missionary money to put into promising towns strong men who will build our work on good lines."

COLORADO AND EAST WYOMING,

REV. C. M. SANDERS, Denver, Col., Superintendent.

The contributions from this district have been \$2,806.99.

Sixty-three missionaries have been in service during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with seventy churches and stations. Five churches have been organized, and twelve houses of worship erected. Thirty-nine Sunday-schools reported a membership of 3,505.

Superintendent Sanders says: "A marked feature of the year has been church building. There are in Colorado, counting all, thirty seven church edifices, valued at \$332,411; thirteen parsonages, valued at \$20,100—\$352,511; over one fourth of the valuation added during the year. Were we to add the churches built within about eighteen months it would add the following: First Church, Pueblo, \$17,000; Green Mt. Falls, \$3,200—\$20,200. As showing the progress of the denomination along this line, add the First Church, Colorado Springs, built the year previous, and we add \$51,000. Within the last two years the Congregationalists of Colorado have added to their church property a total of \$167,000.

"To show how quickly some churches develop out here, it may be written of one: It was born, grew up, married to a good man, and was in a home of its own, costing \$5,000—all in seven months.

"The brief life of the Gospel Tent of which mention was made a year ago, came to a disastrous conclusion. It was struck by a whirlwind and wrecked. Its destruction is a felt loss. It has written a peculiar and attractive story.

"As near as I am able estimate, our forty-seven home missionary churches in this department have now a membership of 1,500. Nearly 200 were added during the year, more than one half of these uniting on confession of faith.

"Total amount by all our churches, for all benevolences, is \$16,000, a gain over last year's report of \$13,000, an average of \$5 plus a member.

“One of the sad features of this report is that I am not able to name any church which has come to self-support. This may be accounted for in part by our doing so much in the way of church homes. We trust that the present year may see several of our churches walking alone for the first time.

“The openings for us were never more numerous, the calls upon us never more pressing, and the outlook before us never more hopeful than now. The conviction strengthens as the years pass that here in this great State we have a special mission. God opens it to us : he bids us occupy. This is the day of our privilege.”

MONTANA.

Rev. WILLIAM S. BELL, Helena, Superintendent.

The contributions from this State have been \$430.11.

Ten missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, serving nine churches and stations, reporting a membership of 320, and seven Sunday schools with 592 scholars. Three churches have been organized ; one church assumes self-support ; one house of worship built, and two repaired.

The Rev. W. S. Bell, who in our last report was referred to as having just assumed the joint superintendency for the A. H. M. S. and the C. S. S. and P. S. in this new and opening State, reports a prosperous year. After describing the organization of promising churches at Red Lodge and Great Falls, he says: “Two other fields have been opened up, the first step in each case being the organization of a Sunday-school. These illustrate two entirely different phases of our work. Big Timber, where Rev. J. A. Branch is located, is a small town of about 400 inhabitants, but is the center of trade for a very large area occupied by cattle and sheep ranches. Our brother will have no ministerial neighborhood nearer than thirty miles, and will be able to extend his labors and influence in every direction. The people of the town have given our movement a very hearty support, and a church will be organized some time this month. The other point is in the populous mining town of Butte, where I found 2,000 or 3,000 people without religious privileges near at hand. It is a very needy field.

“In the interior of our State a new mining town is just coming into prominence under very favorable auspices. A Christian lady, a member of the Society of Friends, has for two years sustained a Sunday-school, and, on Sunday evening, reading service there; but the work has grown beyond her strength and she is anxious to turn it over to us, realizing, as she does, that a Congregational church is the best one for the place. I expect to have the field occupied within a few weeks.

"During the past two months at least three of our churches have enjoyed seasons of special religious interest. I assisted in special meetings in Billings for two weeks, and a greater interest was aroused in religious matters than had ever been known there before. Twelve—nine on profession—have already applied for admission to the church, and others will follow. At Livingston, union meetings were held from which our church received a blessing. The Red Lodge has also been quickened and strengthened through meetings following the Week of Prayer.

"A marked sign of progress during the year has been the assuming of self-support by the Helena Church after five years of arduous toil on the part of pastor and people. This, in connection with the nearly threefold increase in the contributions to the treasury of the Society, shows that the churches realize their obligation to aid in the extension of the work into new fields.

"And now, what of the future? The year 1891 promises to be the most prosperous one in the history of Montana. By the building of railroad lines already under contract, rich and fertile portions of the State, hitherto unoccupied, will be opened for settlement and new centers of population will develop which should at once be occupied. But the appropriation for the coming year will allow almost no new work aside from that already planned for. The needy field at Butte must be abandoned to leave money for still more promising fields. The work of the coming year must be largely that of strengthening and upbuilding rather than extending. We shall see doors of opportunity opening before us but shall be compelled to refrain from entering them. Oh! that the Christian people of our land might appreciate their privileges and gives us the command to go forward!"

UTAH, IDAHO, AND WEST WYOMING.

REV. WINFIELD S. HAWKES, Salt Lake City, Superintendent.

The contributions from this missionary district have been \$446.06.

Nineteen missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, serving twenty-six churches and stations. Three churches have been organized, and one house of worship repaired.

Superintendent Hawkes writes: "It has been a year of changes. In Utah the increase of the 'Gentile' population secured some important victories over the power of the priesthood of the Mormon Church; the Territorial Legislature, although having a Mormon majority, was led to pass a public school law, which was a great advance on anything of the kind before existing. It was thought this would so affect the school work of the various evangelical churches as to necessitate some changes

in their missionary work. But it has not done so to any considerable extent, although it undoubtedly will do so in the near future. But the pressure of public sentiment, and the attitude of the United States Government led the Mormon priesthood to make a show of abandoning polygamy; this, however, was so made that it is the almost universal opinion of 'Gentile' observers that it is only a ruse to allay public feeling, and to help secure Statehood ere long, when they would return to its corrupting practice. The past history of the Mormon Church and many present facts lead to a thorough distrust of any such action, particularly as the Manifesto professing to abandon polygamy was in such terms as to leave all in doubt as to its exact meaning.

"But this apparent crisis in the history of Utah has furnished a convenient opportunity to review the field of religious work; and I think it is the general conclusion of the Christian missionaries of this Territory that fewer Mormon people are being reached with the direct influence of the Gospel than in previous years. There has been much questioning as to the cause of this fact. It cannot be because the present force of missionaries is inferior in ability or Christian devotion. No one seems satisfied with the reasons given; but the following facts seem to account for it in some degree: When Christian missionary work began in Utah, there was found a considerable number who were ready at once to be reached: people who felt they had been duped or had become dissatisfied with the Mormon faith for various reasons; and among these were many religiously inclined, who were soon gathered into Christian churches and missions; there was another large number who were very desirous of education for their children, who, for the sake of the educational advantages, allowed them to be connected with our missions; many of these were susceptible to religious influences, and quite a number professed conversion; but as some of these grew older they fell away, and to such an extent as to leave much distrust in the minds of the missionaries. After these classes had been reached there remained the 'rank and file' of the Mormon people, who were generally of the lower and debased classes of the countries from which they came, with a dense ignorance which was the inheritance of many generations, accustomed to domineering authority over their minds and liberties, and who were particularly susceptible to superstition. The bold assertions of designing leaders repeatedly made with a tone of assurance, with cunning, although often ridiculous, interpretations of the Scriptures, and the offer of land-ownership to those who had never known such a boon in the countries of their birth, reconciled many to the debasing moral teachings of the Mormon Church, while others were indifferent to them, and a few welcomed them to depraved hearts. They were taught that the United States Government could

not and dared not molest them, and that they were soon to subdue the whole world to their faith. The weak way in which the Government dealt with the wickedness emphasized the teaching of the leaders, and begot a self-conceit and a self-assurance which one who has never met it can hardly understand. In such conditions the population grew for a generation, and the many children of polygamous marriages were taught that their shame was really their glory. To a considerable extent these facts account for the almost adamant character of the Mormon population; they are calmly satisfied with their ignorance and their debasement. When a young Mormon becomes liberalized he usually finds his continued associations with his family and former companions intolerable, and a large number of such have left Utah, and are now found in the surrounding States and Territories. In this way Utah misses their liberalizing influence on the whole mass of the people, and the majority remain impervious to evangelical religious truth. Thus, it seems to me, Mormons have become solidified against the true Gospel in the three years I have been in Utah.

“With these facts should go another regarding the infidelity of this region; it is abundant, bold and active, and with Spiritualism catches many wanderers from the Mormon fold, as it requires no troublesome change of heart or life. But it is worthy of note that no less than three noisily aggressive and voluble speakers of the infidel class, or, as some of them call themselves ‘Secularists,’ have in as many consecutive years made their assertions against the Bible and Christians, and made their own records and departed under a cloud of popular disapprobation, in which has been included that of their own recent upholders and followers, while one of them has espoused the cause of the Mormons.

The workers of all the evangelical churches report the same state of facts, and the above are some of the more important reasons given to account for them, while none are satisfied with the explanation, and earnestly commune with their own hearts, with one another, and with God, concerning the difficult problem.

“While I think it would not be in vain for a few evangelists to go hither and thither throughout the Territory, preaching as opportunity offered, because God’s Word shall not return to him void, yet I believe it is wisdom for us, with our limited means with which to work, to concentrate at particular points and persevere in those, although the results are small and come slowly.”

Of Provo, Utah, Mr. Hawkes says: “In December, Rev. Frank S. Forbes was secured for the place, and at once entered on the work with zeal. A church of twenty-two members was organized February 8, and seems to start off well, being largely composed of original Congregationalists who appear to love the cause of Christ. They proceeded at

once to take steps toward securing a lot for a chapel, as it is their and my judgment that it will not be wise to long continue the church home in the Proctor Academy Hall. If this church can have a chapel ere long in a central location, I believe it has an excellent opportunity before it."

Since the above was written a lot, a part of the Academy grounds, has been generously loaned for the purpose by the New West Education Commission.

Philips Church, Salt Lake City, is also planning for a chapel

Of the Burlington and Plymouth Missions, in Salt Lake City, the Superintendent writes: "For a part of the year, Brother Peters ministered to these missions each third Sunday, but for some time past each alternate Sunday. In the localities where they are situated we have made very little progress with the Mormon population, but with the incoming of the Gentiles we have gained somewhat in numbers, although the progress is still quite slow in the Plymouth. Brother Peters says: 'Our most urgent need is chapels; all the other denominations have their churches and chapels in the city, and are erecting new ones in the various wards, and we, the Congregational people, have no house of worship in the city.' It is really a great pity. In my estimation, our prospects would be very good, most encouraging, if we only had proper or comfortable houses of worship. Time and again people (who live in the 19th and 20th Wards), ask 'Where do you hold your meetings?' I tell them, 'At the Burlington or Plymouth.' 'Oh,' they say, 'we thought those were only school-houses.' If I am not mistaken we are the only Christian people in the entire city who conduct their services in school-houses. It is really a great disadvantage."

A municipal reform in which one of our missionaries bore a leading part is thus reported: "Ogden was cursed with a bad 'Gentile' city government last year, under which the righteous, both Gentile and Mormon, groaned, and there was nothing better to be expected from the 'Liberal' party again; but Brother Bailey dared and initiated a movement which the Christian people indorsed and a large number of Mormons adopted. Brother Bailey wrote almost every word of the platform. The result was the election of the ticket of the 'law and order' party. It was probably one of the best pieces of work Brother Bailey ever did."

Describing the work in Idaho, Superintendent Hawkes refers to the pastorate at Pocatello of Rev. Charles W. Luck, from Topsfield, Mass. Both he and the people are mutually pleased with the relation, and the church is thriftily growing in all respects. As soon as the town-site matter is settled and they can secure a title to land, they propose to rebuild as their present meeting-house is much too small.

Of Boise, the Superintendent says: "It gives me peculiar pleasure to

write this name as that of one of our churches. Clearly the right time to organize here had not come till General Missionary George W. Rose went there the past winter. Now we have done so without drawing on the membership of previously existing churches, only one individual from any of them having gone into our new one, and she was only in the other with the understanding that when a Congregational church was organized she should go into it. We have started off with twenty-three members, all good material largely of original Congregational and New England extraction. They have secured Rev. Samuel Rose to be their pastor, whose past experience in the southern and western States seems to have well fitted him for this work. The matter of a church location and building is already being earnestly discussed. The city is charmingly located, with a fruitful soil and plenty of water from the noble Boise River and the surrounding mountains.

"I consider the coming of Rev. Geo. W. Rose to this city and State last November, to act as General Missionary, as truly 'of God,' and what he has already accomplished by God's blessing points out his future work.

"The tract which was prepared two years ago has been widely distributed throughout Utah, but we do not know of any direct fruit from it, although it is highly commended by the missionaries of all denominations doing Christian work in Utah. Another has been prepared which meets with as high approval, and attempts to do just what many of us think ought to be done more and more, viz.: it assails the weakness of Mormonism in its statements of faith. The tract can hardly fail to do some good, but not so much as it would if it were not for the condition of the people generally, as set forth in the first part of this report.

"Our people in Rock Springs, Wyoming, and in Pocatello and Boise, Idaho, are trying to devise a way in which to start academies next autumn. There is no Christian academy in Wyoming, vast as the State is, and only poor higher educational facilities of any kind. In Idaho, the Presbyterians decided to locate an academy at Caldwell, some distance from Boise, last spring, but left the beautiful capital open to the first comers, and it ought to be occupied by us without fail. Good higher schools of pronounced Christian type in those places would be of immense help to our work."

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.

Rev. JAMES H. WARREN, D.D., San Francisco, Superintendent.

The contributions from this district have been \$6,923.57.

Sixty missionaries have been under commission during the whole

or a part of the year, performing forty-one years of service in connection with seventy-three churches, forty-one stations, and 135 Sunday-schools. Six churches have been organized. Six houses of worship have been erected, and nine repaired. Twenty-one revivals and 284 additions to church membership reported.

Superintendent Warren says: "We cannot report any churches that have come to self-support this year, though three have kept on with their work without asking missionary aid. The effort has not proved a wise one, economy has cost a loss of opportunity of gaining strength and growth.

"In twelve of our churches special meetings, resulting in quickened religious interest and many conversions, have been held; but the revival record has not been a gain on that of previous years. More than ever have we felt the need of one or two evangelists. Calls have come, and are still coming from every quarter of this needy field for evangelistic help.

"Perhaps it is not too much to say that we are on the eve of a new departure, I trust, a positive advance in the duty and privilege of increasing our gifts and contributions to the cause of Home Missions. The year just closing will show an improvement in this over any preceding year. Without the help of legacies it is some satisfaction to report nearly \$7,000 from the living. Out of 121 churches only one church having a regular minister has failed to make a remittance to the Treasury of the Society. Six that have been without a pastor for nearly two years are also on the delinquent list.

"There is more in this than appears on top. It means that hereafter we cannot go back to the old figures for a year's work. Seven thousand must reach out to ten thousand, or why not to twice seven thousand in gold and silver?

"The work is pressing, the land waits for our possession. Men, earnest and strong men, say to us 'Send me.' Would we could say to them now, 'Go.'"

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

REV. JAMES T. FORD, Los Angeles, Superintendent.

The receipts from this district have been \$7,416.72.

Thirty-three missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year, serving fifty churches and stations. Seventeen churches report 251 additions to membership. Five churches have been organized. One church assumed self-support, and four houses of worship have been built.

The Superintendent says: "While our increase, as a whole, is less than last year, yet our home missionary churches have received more on confession of faith than ever before. We are becoming less dependent on growth by contributions from other churches, and are gathering members in larger proportion from the world. The whole membership of our mission churches is 1,312, of whom 388, an increase of about 42 per cent., were received during the year, more than one half on confession of faith. The Holy Spirit has continued with our churches in his converting power. He has blessed the labors of our missionary pastors and the added labors of our Evangelists. Our Home Missionary Evangelist, Rev. O. D. Crawford, closed his year of service in December, and has entered upon pastoral work. Through his faithful preaching in public, and from house to house, many were saved; our churches were quickened and prepared better for future work.

"Every church organized within the past seven years remains still upon our list, and for the past year no one of these churches has been without supply for a single Sabbath, except in rare instances of failure to fulfill appointments. Our work has been principally that of holding and fortifying the ground already gained. Of the six churches added, three have been added without additional outlay of home missionary money. For the coming year we must gain, if at all, by the same methods. Our apportionment will do little more than enable us to sustain the work already begun. And this means that our efforts must be confined mainly to that part of our territory already occupied.

"The Eastern half of our territory, the great desert mining region, which has no missionary of any denomination, remains unoccupied. The three northwestern counties, with their population of more than 40,000 inhabitants, and rapidly increasing, must be left as heretofore with only two Congregational churches. We have fairly occupied only about one fifth of the district assigned to us. When shall we fulfill our mission by planting churches throughout our domain?

"Cannot our churches come more speedily to self-support and so release money for new work?

"Doubtless they could if their consecration of spirit were more complete. But it should be said in behalf of some of them that they are in villages that under a full tide of real-estate speculation three or four years ago were built up too rapidly. The outlying country does not afford them adequate means of support. The churches have increased in members, but are less able to support a minister than they were three years ago. The towns are waiting for the slower growth of the country. The churches being established must be maintained till the present period of reaction is past."

OREGON.

Rev. C. F. CLAPP, Forest Grove, Oregon, Superintendent.

The receipts from this State have been \$1,139.47.

Twenty-one missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, performing fifteen years of service in connection with forty-five churches and stations. Eight churches have been organized. Seven houses of worship built and eight repaired. One church assumed self-support.

Superintendent Clapp says: "Along the line of benevolences in our churches of the State there is a gain over the last year of \$2,649, the whole benevolence amounting to \$4,860.

"We expended on the field \$11,480 last year, but needed at least one-third more to meet the urgent necessities of the case.

"At the State Association in June it was decided to put a General Missionary into the field; indeed, two were proposed to look after the unoccupied portions of our State. This was a very wise move, and no money expended upon the field promises to be a better investment than this. Only a small portion of the State has as yet been visited by him, but every exploration only reveals greater needs.

"Indeed, after a few months spent in the visitation of new fields, it was seen that to visit such fields was only to open up new work, which could not be cared for without additional funds from the Society.

"As these funds were not to be had, the only thing to be done was to call in the General Missionary and send him to the assistance of missionaries already in the field, and so strengthen the stakes already set. This is valuable work, and no better can be found anywhere; but what of the regions beyond?

"Although many changes have occurred during the year, only one pulpit has remained vacant for any length of time.

"There yet remain sixteen new counties in which the standard of the Pilgrims has never been raised. We have occupied two or three new counties during the past year, each a small State in itself, but our occupancy has been very similar to the occupancy of America by the Pilgrims the first year. The leaven planted is of the right sort, but there is a large measure of meal to lift. With God's blessing, however, we shall accomplish much, and we shall try at least to hold the fort until reinforcement comes.

"We have been less pressed for men than for money. Plenty of men seem willing to take up the work here, but the sinews of war are lacking to carry the conflict into the unsubdued country.

"But we must advance. We can hold what we have already gained

only by a forward movement. The ransomed hosts of our Lord and Savior are as easily demoralized as earthly armies if allowed to rest on victories already achieved."

WASHINGTON.

REV. R. A. BEARD, Seattle, Washington, Superintendent.

The contributions from this State have been \$2,488.52.

Sixty-five missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year and performing forty-three years of labor in connection with 139 churches and stations. Twenty-five churches have been organized, three churches assumed self-support. Twenty-three houses of worship have been built. Eighty-four Sunday-schools report a membership or 4,284.

Superintendent Beard says: "It is more and more apparent that here is the last great opportunity for our denomination. Of 'going West' there is an end, and here it is. The population is piling up here just as wheat does when it gets to the end of a shute. And what is more the rate of increase in population is growing larger month by month. In the work of the past year special emphasis has been laid on the importance of occupying centers, thus following the plan of the Master of 'beginning at Jerusalem.' By this plan we expect to be sooner able to carry the Gospel to the outlying districts with less aid from friends in the East.

"Not a few are the difficulties which our peculiar conditions occasion. One of these is the fact that in the starting of almost every church in a center, a much larger church building has to be built than the people, even with the usual aid granted by the A. C. U., are able to build. This necessity arises from the rapidity with which new towns here often grow. To illustrate: Two years ago the writer was on a Puget Sound steamer that drew up to a little wharf at a place called F——. He was told there was a town about to be started there, and that business lots were then selling at \$500. The story was listened to with an incredulous smile, and a sincere pity for those who could be caught with such chaff. What are the facts now? The Census gave that place a population of 7,000 and there is a population of at least 14,000 within two miles, all of which is soon to be included within one corporation. The city of F—— has an assessment roll of \$8,000,000—the real valuation of the property being not less than \$20,000,000. It has three lines of railroad, twelve miles of graded and paved streets that cost \$600,000, a \$150,000 hotel, mammoth docks, large manufacturing interests, electric light, gas, paid fire department, electric street railways, etc

"When the Congregational church of five members was organized there, a little over a year ago, it was plain that it would be a waste to build anything less than a \$7,000 building; but how could this be done

when the richest man in the church or congregation was a carpenter who had to depend upon his daily wages to get the necessities of life? This tremendous task was undertaken, however, and the chapel part of the building is already being occupied. The building of such a house is of course the only sensible thing, but it necessitates such large giving by the people that less money is available for the support of the Missionary. This partly explains why some of our churches require so much from the A. H. M. S.

"During the last fifteen months, thirty-one churches with a total membership of 567 have secured church property that cost in cash \$94,400. All these churches, except five, had building lots given them, so that almost the whole of this sum was paid for church buildings and parsonages. The aid in grants from the A. C. U. to these churches was \$11,350. This leaves \$83,050 that was paid by the people. If this had been paid by the church members alone each would have had to pay an average of about \$150. If shared equally by all the members of the congregations each would then have had to pay about \$55—not a small sum per capita for any congregation East or West.

"Another difficulty is that so large a proportion of the population in the newer towns have little or no means. Many of the new-comers are men who have met with misfortune of one kind or another and have come out here to get a new start. In the class referred to are not included the many adventurers and 'ne'er-do-weels' who are always expecting something better farther west—of which we have our full share—but those only who are just now handicapped by circumstances over which they will soon get control, and who will finally become influential and prosperous citizens. That there are so many of this class here is the most natural thing in the world, for in no place is there better chance for a man to begin life over again.

"The growth of this State, especially in the Puget Sound region, is not only unparalleled by that of any other State or district, but are so increasingly and overwhelmingly tremendous that every Christian ought to stand aghast as he contemplates the fearful responsibility this growth lays at the door of the Christian Church. And those who realize the especial fitness of the Congregational idea to the largeness and liberty of thought in the West cannot but be oppressed that our denomination must withhold from so many of these new communities that form of church life which is so pre-eminently acceptable."

WORK AMONG IMMIGRANT POPULATIONS — SLAVONIC DEPARTMENT.

Rev. HENRY A. SCHAUFFLER, D.D., Cleveland, Ohio, Superintendent.

The Superintendent thus epitomizes the interesting and extended reports from the different fields in this Department:

BOHEMIAN WORK.

BETHLEHEM.—In Cleveland, at Bethlehem, influences for evil more strongly felt than heretofore, and yet real progress, increase in general attendance at services; net increase of church membership nearly one-half (including twenty-eight members received at Cyril Chapel); more conversions than last; larger Sunday-school. Since New Year's for the first time a permanent Bohemian pastor.

CYRIL CHAPEL.—Genuine progress, especially among the young, under the leadership of the pastor, who is greatly beloved; Sunday-school in better state than ever, and attendance at service larger.

EAST CLEVELAND.—Very decided advance in hold of the Truth on a considerable number. Christian influence of the Bethlehem Church members there resident very excellent on the community around. General sentiment of the Bohemian community more favorable than ever.

THE BIBLE-READERS' HOME, through its new building, has become a permanent center of wide-felt Christian work.

CHICAGO.—A year memorable for dedication of new and admirably arranged mission premises, resulting in large increase in attendance at services and Sunday-school; C. E. Society membership nearly doubled; Boys' Union bearing noble fruit; "it has done more in the business circles where the boys work to awaken respect for the Bohemian name and character than all else; Boys' Union class in Sunday-school is the model class." 350 families added to "Pravda's" visiting list. The old indifference to our work has passed away; the Bohemian work in Chicago and in the country as communicated with from the 'Pravda' office is very far in advance of what it was a year ago, or ever before.

MILWAUKEE.—The work has steadily held its own; prejudice is gradually losing its power. Much need of a permanent center of our own for the work.

ST. PAUL.—The testimony of those who, like Dr. Heath, watch the work with interest, is that it has made solid progress, especially among the young; and if it were not for the partial physical disability of the preacher, a church might have been formed before this. Miss Bocheck has done much faithful work; her most remarkable experience the way in which she gained access to the Polish population.

SILVER LAKE.—The remarkable spiritual quickening, the greatest I have ever seen among Bohemians, and active Christian work taken up by church members, has naturally awakened strong opposition among the worldly, consequently an oncoming struggle for ascendancy, and the result is yet uncertain. But the Christian elements are so strong that whatever happens they will hold their own even as a separate church if necessary.

BEAR CREEK—Mission of Silver Lake, a most delightful proof of the self propagating power of the Gospel.

IOWA CITY.—No change at the out-stations.

LUZERNE and VINING, especially the former, much more encouragement and promise of fruit.

OMAHA.—Notwithstanding our exclusion from direct Bohemian work by the Presbyterian occupation, the mission Sunday-school for Bohemians has been faithfully and successfully kept up by St. Mary's Avenue Congregational Church.

ST. LOUIS.—The discouragement caused by giving up the St. Louis field in January of 1890 is forgotten in the wonderful success that has attended Miss Pipal's labors as Bible-reader since November of 1890. Commencing with an attempt to draw the Bohemian children into English Bethany Sunday-school at too great a distance from the Bohemian center, the work has developed into a new Sunday-school in the Bohemian colony, which already numbers over 300. So promising is this work that the Congregational City Mission has hired a house for Miss Pipal which is the center of her work for women and children. There is crying need of a Bohemian preacher, which we hope in some way very soon to supply. That ought to be one of the three great centers of our Bohemian work.

THE OBERLIN SLAVIC DEPARTMENT AND THE BIBLE-READERS' SCHOOL, have done better work than ever in training missionaries for the Slavic work; and the readiness with which Christian friends have met the calls for this part of the work has been most cheering. The hearty support of the Oberlin Slavic Department by the Education Society and the erection and furnishing of the Bible-Readers' Home free of debt before the end of the year are most cheering proofs of the Lord's care for this part of his work exercised through his willing stewards.

POLISH WORK.

CLEVELAND.—While it is very difficult, owing to the fear of Poles to gather any considerable number into services yet there is an increasing confidence in our workers, and larger access to families. A bitter dissension caused by the priests' wrong-doing is opening the way for us. There is every reason to press forward with energy and courage.

TOLEDO.—With great courage and self-denial, Miss Bertha Juengling stands alone, strongly opposed by the priest but winning her way to hearts and homes by Christian faith, courage and self-sacrificing love that leads her to care for the sick as a nurse and to instruct children in sewing, young men in English, the Bible, singing, or anything they are willing to learn. The very considerable amount of Christian literature scattered will not fail to bear fruit.

DETROIT.—The very great opposition of ignorance, superstition, and bigotry to the "new religion," Mr. Lewis has effectually overcome in a marked degree. Though attendance at meetings is small and fluctuating by reason of fear, many come to his house for sympathy and help. The work never looked more hopeful than now, and is more securely anchored in the regard of our churches than ever.

BUFFALO.—Where Mr. Szendel worked nearly two months last summer among the 35,000 Poles, has been, by advice of Congregational brethren, given over into the hands of the Baptists who have a chapel in the Polish region.

CHICAGO.—Mr. Antoszewski has found the field larger and harder than he thought, but has sold over 51,300 pages of tracts and visited 1,575 families, which shows a most promising commencement of missionary work among a people hard to reach, for whom nothing yet has been done. Favorable notice of prominent Poles is an encouraging sign.

SLOVAK WORK.

The change from the small field of Lansford, Pa., to Pittsburgh (Braddock), was very important. This has proved to be the right center for our Slovak work. The stationing of Miss Hodoush and then of Mr. Jan Jelinek in Braddock has also proved to be a wise thing. While the Slovaks are very ignorant and largely given to drink, they have been found to be very accessible and without great difficulty the Protestants (Lutherans) can be gathered into services. It is really surprising that already conversions, at least three, have taken place, and that so promising a beginning has been made in so short a time in an entirely new field. There is great reason for encouragement and for pressing forward with a work so needed and so promising.

IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding that we were compelled to give up a large part of our Bohemian field to the Presbyterians, and have been driven out of other fields by their influence, direct or indirect, and have thus had the most trying year that this work has yet seen, yet it has made progress and is in a more promising condition than ever. In the Polish and Slovak Departments much essential preparatory work has been done, prejudice and opposition overcome, more or less, as the field was older or newer, and it has been demonstrated that there is a very great work that needs to be and cannot be done. Faith, money, and men are all that is needed.

SCANDINAVIAN DEPARTMENT.

Rev. M. W. MONTGOMERY, 45 Warren Avenue, Chicago, Ill., Superintendent.

Mr. Montgomery, who in addition to his superintendency of this Department, has been engaged the past year as instructor in the Scandi-

navian department of the Chicago Theological Seminary, says: "During no year since since the work among the Scandinavians began have so many doors opened for permanently benefiting those races, and our country and the Kingdom of Christ, as during the year which has just closed. Although the apportionment for this Department was used with the utmost economy, yet it was exhausted when the year was but two-thirds gone.

"New work has been begun as follows: Among the Danes in Philadelphia and Chicago; among the Norwegians in Chicago and Minneapolis; and in Wisconsin, at Washburn and Bayfield; and in North Dakota, by a General Missionary among the Swedes; in New Jersey, Pittsburg, Cleveland, Colorado, and Wyoming. But the painful want of means has compelled the Society to decline most of the pressing new work which ought to receive encouragement.

"The little Finnish church of fifteen members, organized at Ashtabula Harbor, Ohio, by Rev. Franz Lehtinen, our only Finnish missionary, has the distinction of having been the first church organized in our work among the 50,000 people of that race in this country. Should this missionary be laid aside it would require some months to procure another, and he would have to be imported. The Mass. Home Missionary Society has employed a Finnish-speaking Swede from Chicago Theological Seminary to labor among the Finns at Fitchburg, Mass. We ought to have four more Finnish missionaries, one each in Michigan, Minnesota, New York, and at Astoria on the Pacific Coast.

"The work among the Norwegians has been especially prosperous and widening during the past year. The Dano-Norwegian Department of the Chicago Theological Seminary is the chief source of supply for men, although as yet entirely inadequate. The placing of Prof. R. A. Jernberg at the head of that Department has given it new life and acceptability. Three new missions have been begun in Chicago, under his care and that of the students.

"The new Norwegian paper, 'Evangelisten,' edited by Prof. Jernberg and by Rev. C. T. Dyrness, a graduate of the Seminary, has found such acceptance that it became advisable to change it from a semi-monthly into a weekly. Several families in New England, who have Norwegian or Danish help, have subscribed for this paper, and many others might well do the same. It is an exceedingly useful missionary agency.

"The Swedish Congregational churches of New England and New York, with a few independent Swedish churches, have long felt the need of a religious paper in the East, which should especially minister to its local needs, and in January last they began the publication in New York City of 'Osterns Weckoblad.' It is as yet an experiment, but we hope for its permanent life.

"The Swedish population in New England steadily increases. Our Swedish church in Boston is yet without a church home. Although they have thus far worshiped at great disadvantage, yet they have grown in numbers. Sometimes they have held their meetings in Pilgrim Hall at the Congregational House. We cannot believe that our people in Boston and vicinity will much longer permit this large company of their poor brethren from the far north to go without a worshiping temple of their own. We might fervently thank God and take courage for the future of our Republic if all our foreigners were calling for Protestant church homes.

"The work among the Swedes in a very needy district, bordering Minnesota and Wisconsin, between St. Paul and Duluth, has been greatly benefited by the generosity of a business man in Boston, who has assumed the entire support and traveling expenses of the Swedish General Missionary, Rev. A. G. Nelson, Rush City, Minn., at a cost of \$1,200 a year.

"The Scandinavian Department in Castleton College and Chicago Theological Seminary continues to prosper in numbers and increasing usefulness. The College has had thirty nine Scandinavian students, and a special and popular feature of the opportunities there has been the study of the Bible under the teaching of Rev. Daniel Magnus. The Seminary has had fifty-eight Scandinavian students. The preference of the Scandinavian churches for the trained young men is already quite manifest. Nearly all of the last senior class had accepted calls to churches or mission fields two months before graduating, while most of the middle class and several of the juniors were called to similar service during the four months' vacation. Nearly all of these students go to self-supporting fields.

"The wisdom of having a Swedish Department at Chicago may be seen from the following data: The Department was begun in the autumn of 1885, since which time eighty-nine students have attended, of whom twenty-seven have graduated. Four study in colleges, four are missionaries in Alaska and China, and twenty three preach in this country.

"The amount of preaching and missionary work these students do, while studying in Chicago and in the near borders of Illinois and Indiana, is quite remarkable. During eight months of the year they took entire charge of seven churches and thirteen preaching stations, and all this service without expense to the A. H. M. S. or its Auxiliaries, except \$200 paid to one of the Swedish professors for the general oversight of the work.

"Another missionary movement has sprung up among the Scandinavians during the past year in this country in response to the call of Hudson Taylor for laborers in North China. A noted Swedish preacher and traveler named F. Franson, warmly seconded Hudson Taylor's call, and

traveled through Sweden and Norway securing recruits. He then came to this country after due notice in the newspapers, which awakened wide interest among the Scandinavians, and in a few weeks fifty Scandinavian young men and young women responded to the call and offered themselves for missionary work in China. At various points in the United States Mr. Franson held training institutes at which these young people gathered and were graduated for the work in two weeks, and then they crossed the Continent and sailed from San Francisco for China.

"A most interesting Swedish work is developing in the Red River Valley and Northwestern Minnesota, where Rev. P. M. Samuelson has four small organized churches and fourteen out-stations under his care, and only one house of worship on the whole field. A Gospel Tent, furnished by the ladies of the church of South Framington, Mass., is during the summer months a movable tabernacle of Israel, filled with eager worshippers and with the Holy Spirit. The need for one or two more missionaries on this field was very great, but our lack of means utterly forbade us to respond to their repeated calls. Then the churches set apart by due choice five lay members and asked them to visit the destitute fields. Another difficulty then arose. These chosen men were small pioneer farmers and could not go except some laborer could be employed to do their farm chores, and the other people were too poor to pay money for this assistance. Again they appealed to us, and again we must decline from want of means. Then a good lady in central New York, seeing some notice of this field, wrote that she would furnish seventy-five dollars to send out these laborers, and they went forth rejoicing. A new feature of the work there has been a Bible School, held by the missionary, Samuelson, in response to a general demand on his field. Twenty-five persons, seventeen young men and twelve young women, came together in the winter from the new farms, bringing their own food and finding free places among the families for sleeping, the pastor's wife receiving five into her small home, the pastor doing the teaching gratis. For six weeks they studied the Bible every week-day and held meetings every evening. At the close of the term an examination was held in the presence of a crowd of people, and every one of the twenty-five testified to having found the Bread of Life for his own soul.

"Friends, are not these Swedes getting back closely to Apostolic simplicity and adaptation to circumstances, and is not 'the Wind from the Holy Spirit,' still blessedly breathing upon them?"

GERMAN DEPARTMENT.

Rev. MORITZ E. EVERSZ, 151 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill., Superintendent.

Superintendent Eversz reports: "Like a day in April, the year has brought its sunshine and rain, its light and its shadows. The almost

total failure of crops in the West seriously crippled the ability of our churches to give, not only for missionary causes, but also to the support of their pastors. Thus larger demands were made upon our treasury to maintain the work, and in some cases young men who had decided to study for the ministry were prevented from doing so.

"Indeed, a considerable amount of extra labor was entailed upon your Superintendent in raising clothing, food and seed for those who were wholly unable to provide for themselves. Some fifty barrels of clothing and more than one thousand dollars were thus raised and distributed, bringing blessing both to the aiding and the aided. Heartfelt and sincere were the many letters of thanks received from those who would otherwise have suffered severely. But if the early and the latter rain failed on farm and field it did not upon the spiritual field. Seven of these report showers of blessings. A church of some twenty-eight members was born in one revival, at Tyndal, S. Dak., which is now heroically struggling to build a thousand dollar church without appealing to the A. C. U. for help. In several other instances the membership of the church has nearly doubled.

"Nine churches have been organized during the year, all recognized by Council. Two of these come with houses of worship and a parsonage. Three support their pastors from the start. Four churches have been dedicated, and two have made extensive repairs. Two more pastors rejoice in a certain dwelling-place from which only their churches can dispossess them.

"The wisdom of appointing Rev. Carl Hess as General Missionary for Germans in Iowa, has been fully demonstrated. Already five churches are the fruits of about eighteen months' labor, three of which support their pastors from the start.

"The fear expressed a year ago that Dr. Zimmerman, of Chicago Seminary, would lose his health unless he were relieved of the necessity of winning his bread in another calling, has proved but too well founded. Impaired health led him to resign his work in the Seminary last September. At the urgent request of the faculty, he continued to teach until the close of the term when he was obliged to give up. His overwork was followed by a severe illness, and now the physician forbids both teaching and preaching.

"In order not to lose the young men studying at the Seminary, your Superintendent felt constrained to consent to take Dr. Zimmerman's place until the close of the year.

"Another difficulty confronted us in the greatly impaired health of our Prof. Ramser at Crete Seminary. He feels that if he does not give up his work this spring he will have to look forward to permanent disability, and has therefore resigned. These changes are, of course,

hurtful to the interests of the work. If we did not believe that the Hand of our God is in all things, we should feel greatly depressed.

"We feel impressed that one line of work has not been sufficiently emphasized. I refer to the fitting out of a class of German-Americans for the ministry whose attention and enthusiasm shall be centered especially upon those fields where both languages are needed. The number of churches is increasing whose American constituency is moving away and Germans are occupying their places. Now our young Germans are so encouraged to Americanize that they soon lose command of their mother tongue, and so never or rarely enter such fields. We hope for a new professor, and one who will keep the German-American German enough to fit him for reaching his countrymen in such fields, and thus save men and churches for the Master.

"Illinois is moving in the direction of appointing a German Evangelist, who shall help lift the spiritual life of our German churches, look out for new fields to conquer, and aid American pastors in revival services on such fields as have just been mentioned."

CONCLUSION.

Thus our sixty-fifth year, the initial year of the closing decade of the century, has come to an end. Our last report called for an advance during this year of \$70,000 in the gifts of the living, and stated that the work had been laid out on this basis. If that advance had been reached the year would have closed without debt. It is cause for gratitude, however, that \$23,360 of the hoped-for increase in gifts apart from legacies has been realized and with confidence, with high expectation the Committee move forward to the work of the coming year. While every succeeding report records an advance along the whole line, new territory occupied, new laborers employed, and hundreds of renewed souls brought to the Redeemer, the friends of Home Missions have no cause for discouragement.

The apparent inadequacy of what is done, however, to the imperative and pressing need must suggest to every State, every church and every individual Christian, solemnly to ask, "Am I doing my full part. If the Home Missionary crisis in which we are now involved shall pass, and our beloved country be lost to itself and lost to the world, can I honestly appeal to the Master with the claim, I did my best, Lord, thou knowest?"

The year has been one of growth, but growth under repression. A burdensome limitation of means has weighted the work at almost every point, and the Committee, painfully conscious of this limitation, have watched with unusual care the disbursements with a view to economy and the avoidance of debt. And yet, is there one faithful Home Mission-

ary of the 1,912 whom the friends of this Society would see silenced, or one heroic Home Missionary church that they would see dissolved? Where shall the retrenchment begin? Shall we recall our General Missionary from Idaho and nip in the bud the enterprises so full of promise in that infant State? Shall we cut down the appropriation of Superintendent Beard and the Washington Band, or summon our men from Oklahoma, where their work has been so signally blessed? If this question were put to the vote of the Society there can be no doubt what the response would be. Christ and his Church are in accord. There is but one cry ringing out over the Lord's anointed host. Forward! The bugles of the Gospel never sound retreat. If there is debt it must be paid, if there is lack of means the lack must be supplied. "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

But in order to go forward and at the same time pay the fifty thousand dollar debt with which the year has ended, our income for the present year must be increased by the round sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, fifty thousand at least of which must come from living hands. Friends of God and of the country, what is your answer to this appeal?

Editorial.

HONORS TO HOME MISSIONARIES.

The highest of all honors is the privilege of preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and this honor our home missionary pastors fully appreciate. But sometimes the lightning of worldly honor singles them out. Rev. J. H. Kyle of South Dakota was recently elevated to the United States Senate, and now Rev. Charles M. Bingham of Daytona, Florida, is unanimously elected to the mayoralty of that flourishing city. Let it be remembered to his credit that he is wanted to enforce radical temperance legislation.

FROM the Minnesota W. H. M. U. we have received a valuable leaflet which should be read by all who are interested in Home Missions. It is entitled "The Political Influence of Home Missions," and is written by Mrs. A. H. Pearson, of Northfield, Minnesota.

THE few struggling, free mission churches among the rugged and valiant Protestant race of Norway and Denmark appeal to the United States to reach to them an uplifting hand. What do they want? A

training school for missionaries. Hear the opening words of their message to our last National Council :

"We are the baby sister, trying to walk, and reaching up its hands to you, the elder sister."

The National Council unanimously recommended that \$5,000 be raised annually for this object until its next meeting. The school will not be opened until the pledges are all made. How much have *you* sent to Superintendent Montgomery for this purpose?

THE American Home Missionary Society has lost a faithful friend in the death of Mrs. H. G. Shaw, of Putnam, Ct. She has always shown an active interest in every form of mission work. She helped prepare the first missionary barrel sent from Thompson, Ct., in 1847. Her last offering was made to this Society. Few women have been able in a quiet way to accomplish as much for the work at home and abroad. Her influence and example have been an inspiration to all who knew her.

A SHOUT from "Deacon Tibbits," the preaching deacon of the North Wisconsin woods: "That church which I told the women about at Saratoga last year is finished and paid for, carpet and all! This church was organized with nine women and one man. It has grown some since, I can tell you! This is the sixth church that the Lord has permitted his old deacon, taken from the common walks of life, and with very little education, to organize. I have been set to doing the work that educated men don't want. My churches are all going on, well manned and wide awake. I have never started a church where there has been any other Protestant church but once. It would be hard to name any kind of a building that I haven't preached in from a lumber camp to a saloon. In one place we held our meetings in a "sleeping shanty" eleven months. Now they have a fine building, full meetings, and a regular pastor. Praise the Lord!"

A GROWL.—There is a growl which I would like to see introduced into *The Home Missionary* some time. It's an elephant with a convenience for switching at both extremities. It's a back action affair like the Irishman's gun. It's a sword with an edge on both sides. It concerns WOMEN who write that they have an overcoat for a missionary, and a cloak for his wife, and will I name him by return mail? There is not the remotest hint as to size, structure, length, or anything else. It concerns MISSIONARIES, who, with a whole lot of nice little squares made on purpose to put them in, when asking for a box, leave out ages, and measures, and distinctions of sex, indiscriminately, and to the question, "What do you *especially* need?" answer, "Anything."

THIS from a New England pastor: "I ate two breakfasts this morning, the second being *The Home Missionary*, which I devoured

with—shall I say ‘relish’? Yes, a most pathetic kind of relish. Do you know these missionary burdens are a splendid counter-irritant to draw off from the cares and perplexities nearer home? What realistic sermons you are preaching in that magazine.”

THE Woman's Missionary Union of Pennsylvania welcomed recently a new auxiliary. The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Swedish Congregational Church of Ridgway, came into line with the noble contribution of twenty-five dollars.

A SECOND-HAND bicycle, in good order, waits for the asking of some Home Missionary's address. Apply to Rev. E. B. Palmer, P O. Box 2377, Boston, Mass.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Year ending April 1, 1891.

FIFTY-SIX churches have *resolved to try* and support themselves without further aid from the Society. The Pastors whose names are given were with the churches at the time of attaining to self-support.

<i>Org.</i>	NEW YORK.	<i>Self-support.</i>
1856	Frewsburch	Rev. J. E. Widen.....April 1, 1891

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

1886	Mt. Pleasant.	Rev. C. H. Small.....Jan. 1, 1891
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OHIO.

1819	Kirtland.....	Rev. Sylvester R. Dole.....Oct. 1, 1890
1862	Lexington	“ Robert H. Edmonds....June 1, 1890
1834	Palmyra.....	“ Isaac C. Hughes

MICHIGAN.

1884	Addison.....	Rev. John H. Cooper.....May 1, 1890
1883 }	Hartford and Lawrence.....	“ E. M. Counsellor.....April 1, 1891
1837 }	Metamora.....	“ Gainer P. Moore. ....Sept. 1, 1890
1875 }	Northport and Omena.....	“ Charles D. Banister.....Aug. 1, 1890
1863 }	Red Jacket.....	“ John W. Savage.....Sept. 1, 1890
1886 }	Rockwood.....	“ Robert Parsons.....Sept. 1, 1890
1871 }	Saranac.....	“ Wellington De Fuy.....May 1, 1890
1872 }	Sherman and Cleon.....	“ Richard Redeoff.....May 1, 1890
1879 }		

MINNESOTA.

1868	Fairmont	Rev. Rowland S. Cross.....Jan. 1, 1891
1886	Minneapolis (Fifth Av. Ch.).	“ Samuel W. Dickinson.. Nov. 15, 1890
1872	Montevideo.	“ Albert Armstrong.....Sept. 29, 1890
1879	Ortonville.....	“ Orange S. Palmer.....Jan. 25, 1891
1888	Upsala.....	“ Emanuel J. Palm.....April 1, 1891

<i>Org.</i>	KANSAS.	<i>Self-support.</i>
1875 .....Alma.....	Rev. Dennis R. Steiner.....	April 1, 1891
1871) .....Altoona and Village Creek...	" Leroy V. Slasor.....	Oct. 15, 1890
1878) .....Nickerson	" J. C. Crawford.....	Jan. 15, 1891
1868 .....Onaga and Vienna.....	" Marcus D. Tenney.....	Oct. 1, 1890
1886 .....Wichita (Olivet Ch.).....	" Robert L. Marsh.....	Dec. 24, 1890

NORTH DAKOTA.

1887 .....Gardner and Rose Valley....	Rev. Daniel Woolner.....	Oct. 27, 1890
1882) .....Harwood, Argusville, and	" George H. Whiteman...	Sept. 1, 1890
1890) Bethel.....		
1883)		

CALIFORNIA.

1884Los Angeles (Park Ch.).....	Rev. Edward R. Brainerd....	Oct. 1, 1890
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OREGON.

1845Forest Grove.....	Rev. Daniel Staver.....	April 1, 1891
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WASHINGTON.

1887Coupeville	Rev. George Lindsay.....	April 1, 1891
1873Olympia	" Clarence L. Diven.....	Mch. 15, 1891
1889 .....Port Townsend.....	" H. Calvin Crane.....	Feb. 19, 1891

AUXILIARY STATES.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

1867) .....Barnstead (Parade) and	Rev. Frederick L. Small....	May 1, 1891
1804) Barnstead Center.....		

VERMONT.

1782Hubbardton.....	Rev. Willmond A. Warner...	Oct. 1, 1890
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MASSACHUSETTS.

1881Beachmont	Rev. Joseph P. Bixby.....	Mch. 1, 1891
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CONNECTICUT.

1870Bridgeport (Olivet Ch.).....	Rev. Edwin R. Holden.....	Jan. 1, 1891
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ILLINOIS.

.....Mont Clare.....	Rev. David E. Evans.....	Jan. 1, 1891
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WISCONSIN.

1847Baraboo.....	Rev. Joseph A. Wood.....	April 1, 1891
1887Dousman	" David E. Phillips.....	Oct. 1, 1890
1842 .....Hartland	" Joseph B. Davison.....	Mch. 16, 1891
1868 .....Peshtigo	" T. A. Frey.....	Oct. 1, 1890
1840 .....Pewaukee.....	" John H. Cameron.....	Mch. 1, 1891
1844 .....Shopiere	" Joel G. Sabin.....	Mch. 1, 1891
1846 .....Sun Prairie and Pierceville.	" Charles R. Bruce	May 1, 1891
.....West Superior.....	" Fred. T. Rouse.....	Aug. 1, 1890

IOWA.

1866 .....Belle Plaine.....	Rev. Robert Stapleton.....	Mch. 1, 1891
1870 .....Cromwell.....	" William C. Hicks.....	Dec. 1, 1890
1881 .....Mitchellville	" H. C. Rosenberger.....	July 1, 1890

Appointments in May, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Anderson, Charles, Rizville, Wash.
 Ball, M. A., Mauckport, Ind.
 Bird, Charles W., Portland, Mich.
 Bower, Amos W., Sultan City, Wash.
 Btoli, Pierre P., Sherburne, Triumph, and Beth-
 any, Minn.
 Cobleigh, Mrs. N. F., Wash.
 Doty, George W., Revillo, So. Dak.
 Frazier, Charles W., Oak Hill, Fla.
 Jernberg, R. A., Chicago, Ill.
 Johnson, Orim H., Lamont and Eastmanville,
 Mich.
 Luce, A. A., Algansee, Mich.
 Mounts, Samuel A., Beachwood, Central, Briles,
 and Mauckport, Ind.
 Nygrem, C. J., Morgauville, Kan.
 Stillwell, Geo. W., Gaylord, Mich.
 Watsworth, George, Lakeland, Minn.
 White, A. B., Lamar, Mo.

Re-commissioned

Abbott, Ephraim E. P., Sierra Madre, So. Cal.
 Adams, E. A., Chicago, Ill.
 Adams-PHELPS R., Ocean View, No. Cal.
 Allworth, William H., Memphis, Mich.
 Andrews, D. W., Hobart, Ind.
 Baker, George, Kalama, Wash.
 Barber, Leman N., Crockett, No. Cal.
 Belknap, Lafayette, Ashton, Athol, Clyde, and
 Lake Prairie, So. Dak.
 Bixby, Alanson, Dehesa, So. Cal.
 Brainerd, Edward R., San Bernardino, So. Cal.
 Branch, J. A., Big Timber, Mont.
 Brooks, Edward L., West Chester and Pennville,
 Ind.
 Brown, Aurelian L., Grand Meadow, Minn.
 Buck, George J., Hill City, Lenora, and Ed-
 mond, Kan.
 Cable, George A., Brainerd, Minn.
 Cash, Elijah, Los Angeles, So. Cal.
 Connet, Alfred, Riverdale and Garden Grove,
 Mo.
 Cooke, William H., Oakland, Cal.
 Cram, H. Calvin, Port Townsend, Wash.
 Danford, James W., Caledonia, No. Dak.
 Davies, Howell, Lansford, Pa.
 Davis, Charles H., Perris, So. Cal.
 Day, Ernest E., Lake Benton, Minn.
 De Long, Thomas W., Ainsworth, Neb.
 Dessau, J. I., Cleveland, O.
 Dimon, Jacob V., Watcom, Wash.
 Dobbs, J. Hervey, Cameron and Sharon, Mo.
 Edmunds, John S., Rockwood and Newport,
 Mich.
 Estes, Frederick J., East Rome, Ga.
 Fales, Elsha F., Palestine, Texas.
 Field, Frederic A., Rosedale (Los Angeles), So.
 Cal.

Graham, Jr., William H., Bethany, Ga.
 Grauer, O. C., Washburn, Wis.
 Griffiths, Griffith, Dawn, Mo.
 Hainday, J. L. C., Orange City, Fla.
 Harrison, Hiram B., Winthrop, Minn.
 Harwood, James H., Buena Park, So. Cal.
 Haven, Egbert D., Rocklin, No. Cal.
 Hunter, William C., Sanborn, Odell, and Eckel-
 son, No. Dak.
 Jelinek, J. Braddock, Pa.
 Johnson, Lorentz C., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Jones, John A., Cottonwood, No. Cal.
 Kennedy, Samuel C., Sanford, Fla.
 Kimball, George P., Santa Monica, So. Cal.
 Lee, George H., Seattle, Wash.
 Lewis, Daniel M., Findlay, O.
 Loba, Victor E., Siloam Springs, Ark.
 Locke, J. F., Pillsbury, Hansen, and Eagle
 Prairie, Minn.
 Macdonnell, Thomas W., Paris, Texas.
 McCool, J. H., Rome, Ga.
 Martin, J. L., Tyler, Minn.
 Martin, Joel, Hillsdale Mich., Evangelist,
 Merrill, Miss S. R., Cleveland, O.
 Meyer, John H., Hoboken N. J.
 Mints, Benjamin D., Canova, Dover, and Spring
 Farm, So. Dak.
 Mooney, Roderick J., Snohomish, Wash.
 Morris, George, Avalon, So. Cal.
 Nagel, John K., Santa Rosa, No. Cal.
 Nutting, J. D., St. Louis, Mo.
 Oehler, W., St. Paul, Minn.
 Parsons, Henry W., Stewartville, Minn.
 Pease, William P., Talmage and Douglas, Neb.
 Philbrook, C. E., Sierra Valley, No. Cal.
 Preston, Jared R., Ontario, Ind.
 Reiter, David H., Athens, Mich.
 Reitzinger, Miss Marie, Cleveland, O.
 Reitzinger, Phillip, Cleveland, O.
 Ritchie, George, Sandy and West Jordan, Utah.
 Rogers, John A., Encinitas, So. Cal.
 Scoville, Edgar E., Cleveland, O.
 Smith, Felix G., Cartecay, Ga.
 Smith, Howard N., Rock Springs, Wyo.
 Snyder, Henry C., Brigham and Sawyer, Mich.
 Taylor, David F., Pescadero and Fairview, No.
 Cal.
 Taylor, Raynesford, Hydesville, Rohnerville, and
 Alton, No. Cal.
 Valle, Charles S., Nordhoff, So. Cal.
 Voorhees, Louis B., Santa Ana, So. Cal.
 Wallace, Louis, Olive, No. Cal.
 Wallace, Stryker A., Billings, Mont.
 Wilde, James, White City, Kan.
 Willey, Elmer E., St. Louis, Mo.
 Wilson, John J., Clear Creek, Kan.
 Wood, Fred C., Mancelona and Westwood,
 Mich.
 Wood, Samuel, Brookville, Kan.

Receipts in May, 1891.

MAINE—\$188.08.

Received by J. L. Crosby, Treas.	
Maine Miss. Soc.	
Saco, Ladies of First Ch.....	\$15 00
Bucksport, Mrs. Edward Buck.....	10 00
Fairfield Center, Mrs. Delia L. Bates,	
in full, to const. herself a L. M.....	25 00
Lewiston, Pine Street Ch., by Charles	
Greenwood.....	56 58
Minot Center, Ch. #25; Lizzie E. Wash-	
burn, \$5, by Dea J. E. Washburn....	30 00
Newcastle, by C. D. Crane.....	40 00
Skowhegan, Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs.	
J. A. Colby.....	11 50

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$36.88.

Bath, by Miss C. E. Patterson.....	\$1 07
Bedford, S. O. Damon.....	2 00
Brookline, by E. M. Peterson.....	5 00
Concord, A Friend.....	7 00
Derry, Lower Village, First Ch., by W.	
H. Haskins.....	8 41
Pelham, A Friend.....	10 00
Temple, Mrs. L. C. W. Keyes.....	40

VERMONT—\$244.63; of which Legacy, \$200.00.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W.

P. Fairbanks, Treas., for Miss Reiffinger:		New Haven, Mrs. McQueen, special.....	\$5 00
Burlington, Y. P. S. C. E. of College Street Ch.	\$5 00	Mrs. T. P. Bowles, special... ..	1 00
Chelsea, S. S. Easter Offering ..	5 50	A Lady, special.....	5 00
Essex Junction, Mrs. M. H. Seaton.....	5 00	P. mitret, A Friend, special.....	5 00
Granton Mission Circle.....	3 43	Stamford, Two Friends, special ..	7 00
Randolph, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00	West Winsted, Two Friends, special.....	10 00
Vergennes, W. H. M. S.....	3 00		\$50 0
	\$27 13	Berlin, Second, by Alfred North.....	25 00
Cornwall, E. R. Robbins.....	10 00	Connecticut, A Friend to const. Miss Evie Cleveland a L. M.....	120 00
St. Johnsbury, From Estate of Erastus Fairbanks, by Col. Franklin Fairbanks, Trustee.....	200 00	Durham, by H. G. Newton.....	12 72
Westminster, Mrs. E. H. Evans.....	5 00	Ellington, Rev. W. T. Hutchins, Sweet Pea Fund.....	1 00
Windsor, H. B. Thompson, in full, to const. himself a L. M.....	2 50	Ensworth, C. C. Barnes.....	1 40
MASSACHUSETTS—\$9,033.16.		Farmington, First Ch.....	50 25
Mass. Home Miss. Soc. by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	5,500 00	Glenwich, A.....	85 00
Woman's H. M. Assoc. Mass., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas., for Salary Fund and of which \$100, to const. Miss L. J. Valentine and Mrs. George Brown L. Ms. \$508 07		Hartford, Asylum Hill Ch.: Mrs. Eliza T. Smith.....	25 00
Springfield, First.....	75 00	Hartwinton, by A. W. Buell.....	11 53
	583 07	New Hartford, by J. C. Keach.....	31 00
Amherst, A Thank-offering, from a friend.....	50 00	New London, Class in the S. S. of the First Ch. of Christ, by L. W. Miner.....	19 94
Andover, L. T. B.....	200 00	Mrs. E. M. Dennis, special.....	25 00
Curtisville, Three Friends, special.....	5 00	Norwich, Park Ch., by H. L. Butts ..	7,338 59
Florence, by W. L. Wilcox.....	52 12	Old Saybrook, A Friend.....	5 00
Gilbertville, Mission Circle, by Edward Tomlinson, for Salary Fund.....	30 00	Plainfield, Y. P. S. C. E., by G. A. Green.....	5 79
Goshen, by J. R. Mollison.....	5 28	Preston, Daniel B. Hyde, to const. Mary P. Woodman-see and Alada T. Boswell L. Ms., by H. L. Reade.....	100 00
Greenwich, Mrs. M. A. Sibley.....	1 00	Salisbury, W. H. M. S., by Mrs. A. B. Robbins.....	20 35
Lowell, Mission Band, by E. M. Skilton, special.....	5 60	Saybrook, J. L. Hayden.....	50 00
New Bedford, Extra Cent-a-Day Band of the North Cong. Ch., by M. S. Chase.....	41 50	Mrs. M. A. Breckinridge, deceased, by Lucy B. Ward.....	50 00
Palmer, L. H. Gager.....	100 00	Woodstock, First, by H. T. Child, toward a L. M.....	35 72
Newton, Charles E. Billings.....	100 00	NEW YORK—\$1,942.57; of which Legacies, \$26.90.	
Northampton, A. L. Wilston.....	300 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, Treas.:.....	
North Wilbraham, Grace Union Ch., by H. W. Cutler.....	8 26	Brooklyn, Central Ch., for Salary Fund.....	\$425 00
Pittsfield, J. L. Warner.....	40	Woodville, Ladies' H. M. Soc.....	430 00
Quincy, A Friend of Missions.....	2 00	Albany, Miss Mabel Learned.....	30 00
Randolph, Miss Abby W. Turner, special.....	100 00	Batavia, On account of Trust Fund of the Tracy Estate, by J. F. Lay, Trustee.....	196 03
Sheffield, by A. T. Wakefield.....	10 31	Brooklyn, South Ch., by E. D. Ford, Tompkins Avenue Cong. S. S., by P. Palmer, for Salary Fund.....	232 53
South Deerfield, Ch. and S. S. add'l, by C. A. Stowell, in full, to const. D. F. Hager a L. M.....	21 00	Camden, by Rev. E. Curtis.....	200 00
South Framingham, Grace Ch. \$125, R. L. Day \$120, by G. M. Amsden, for Salary Fund.....	250 00	Flushing, Ladies' Soc. of the First Ch., by Mrs. H. W. White, freight.....	10 00
Springfield, A Friend.....	1,000 00	New York City, Broadway Tabernacle, add'l, by L. R. Fisher.....	6 64
Taunton, Two Friends.....	40 00	Pilgrim Ch., special, E. K. Billings.....	140 00
Ware, Mrs. H. N. Hyde, special.....	25 00	Miss Taft, \$4; A. D. F. Hamlin, \$4.....	10 00
Worcester, Union Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by E. W. Vail, Jr.....	2 62	North Walton, Cong. S. S., by A. L. White.....	8 00
Mrs. A. H. Wilder, to const. herself and Mrs. Harvey B. Wilder L. Ms.....	100 00	Olean, by Rev. J. H. McKee.....	6 50
Whittinsville, Mrs. Mary Batchelor.....	500 00	Philadelphia, by Rev. F. A. Strough.....	10 00
RHODE ISLAND—\$67.85.		Irring, Remainder of Legacy of Mrs. S. M. G. Sackett	23 00
Kingston, by B. E. Helme.....	57 85	Ticonderoga, First, by Rev. A. W. Dickens.....	630 87
CONNECTICUT—\$8,223.50.		Vernon Center, R. Woodruff.....	18 00
Miss. Soc. Conn. W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.....	159 91		1 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:.....		NEW JERSEY—\$489.44.	
Bloomfield, A Friend, special..	\$1 00	Orange Valley, by T. F. Johnson.....	223 34
Fairfield, A Friend, special.....	5 00	Warrenville, German Ch., by Rev. A. F. Bertel	6 10
Griswold, Mrs. Northrup, special.....	2 00	Westfield, by J. R. Connolly.....	260 00
Mrs. Hinkley, special.....	2 00	PENNSYLVANIA—\$114.39.	
Meriden, Three Ladies of First Ch. by Mrs. Erastus Hubbard, for Salary Fund.....	7 00	Woman's H. M. Union, of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. E. P. Demson, Treas.: Philadelphia, Central Ch., for Salary Fund.....	50 00

Lander, The Mission Mite Soc., of the		
Cong. Ch., by H. A. Briggs.....	\$30 15	
Scranton, Y. P. S. C. E., Plymouth Ch.,		
by Nellie Hughes.....	4 20	
Pittsburgh, First Ch., by Rev. J. Ed-		
wards.....	30 04	
MARYLAND—\$161.00.		
Baltimore, First, by J. A. Welsh.....	161 00	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$50.00.		
Washington, Ralph Dunning, by C. A.		
Boardman.....	25 00	
First, by Miss Lizzie Patterson, for		
Salary Fund.....	25 00	
VIRGINIA—40 cents.		
Vienna, Mrs. M. M. Wright.....	40	
WEST VIRGINIA—\$10.00.		
Ceredo, by Rev. H. Thrall.....	10 00	
SOUTH CAROLINA—\$5.00.		
Columbia, C. H. Baldwin.....	5 00	
LOUISIANA—\$27.95.		
China, by Rev. M. E. Davies.....	4 75	
Jennings, by Rev. C. F. Sheldon.....	23 20	
FLORIDA—\$11.30.		
Interlachen, First, by C. A. Brush.....		
By Rev. W. D. Brown.....	5 30	
	6 00	
TEXAS—\$27.00.		
Cleburne, Trinity Ch., by Rev. D. R.		
Francis.....	25 00	
Dallas, F. W. Pell, by Rev. W. G.		
Puddefoot.....	2 00	
INDIAN TERRITORY.—\$8.00.		
Doaksville, Second Trinity Ch., by Rev.		
A. G. oss.....	3 00	
McAllister, by Rev. W. H. Hicks.....		
	5 00	
NEW MEXICO—\$47.05.		
Received by Rev. E. Lyman Hood:		
Clayton.....	\$2 50	
Folsom.....	3 40	
Lamy.....	3 55	
Wallace.....	2 00	
	11 45	
Albuquerque, First, by Dr. C. E. Winslow		
	35 60	
ARIZONA—\$7.15.		
Received by Rev. E. Lyman Hood:		
Holbrook.....	\$3 40	
Winslow.....	3 75	
	7 15	
OHIO—\$532.91.		
Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser,		
D.D.:		
Charlestown, by Rev. L. J.		
Donaldson.....	\$4 50	
Dover, Rev. O. Jenkins, special	5 00	
Mantua.....	4 11	
A Friend.....	20 00	
Plain, Rev. S. B. Beard, special	2 50	
Toledo, Central, by Rev. H. M.		
Bacon, D.D.....	12 00	
Huntington, West Va., D. E.		
Abbott, special.....	5 00	
	53 11	
Received in July, 1890, by S. P.		
Churchill, Treas. Bohemian		
Board, Cleveland:		
Bristolville.....	\$10 00	
Cleveland, Plymouth Ch.....	1 00	
Paddy's Run.....	2 60	
Rollinsville, Mr. Stetson.....	5 00	
Weymouth, S. S.....	4 40	
	\$23 00	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. L.		
Farchild, Treas.:		
Harmar.....	\$12 00	
Mansfield, First.....	20 00	
Mt. Vernon.....	6 80	
	\$38 80	
Received in April, by S. P.		
Churchill, Treas. Bohemian		
Board, Cleveland:		
Cleveland, First W. M. Band..	\$3 70	
Plymouth.....	1 00	
Madison Avenue.....	11 83	
Euclid Avenue.....	127 50	
	\$144 08	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F.		
D. Wilder, Treas.:		
Cincinnati, Central.....	50 00	
	194 08	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D.		
Wilder, Treas.:		
Cleveland, First Y. P. S. C. E..	\$8 00	
Columbus, Mrs. P. L. Alcott.....	100 00	
Medina, W. Miss. Soc.....	20 00	
Toledo, Washington Street Ch.		
W. M. Soc.....	10 00	
	188 00	
Ashtabula, Second, by Rev. H. A. N.		
Richards.....	10 30	
Bellevue, by H. M. Hoyt, M. D.....		
	31 63	
Cleveland, Jennings Avenue Ch., by J.		
J. Crooks.....	50 00	
Coolville, by Rev. J. R. Conner.....		
	8 90	
Fort Recovery, Miss'y Union, by Rev.		
M. W. Diggs.....	5 00	
Tontogany, John Whitehead.....		
	5 00	
Wakemans, Cyrus Strong, deceased, by		
Harriet Cunningham.....	25 00	
INDIANA.—\$60.50.		
Bremen, by Rev. D. L. Sanborn.....	1 50	
Indianapolis, by Rev. F. N. Dexter.....		
	9 00	
Terre Haute, First, by Rev. E. D. Cur-		
tis.....	50 00	
MISSOURI—\$27.18.		
Billings, Ch., \$7.30; Honey Creek, \$6,		
by Rev. G. Marsh.....	13 30	
Eldon, Ch., \$3.5; S. S., \$2.07, by Rev. J.		
Vetter.....	5 57	
Hannibal, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. A. B.		
Allen.....	5 61	
St. Louis, Olive Branch Ch., Rev. C. A.		
Wright.....	2 00	
Sappington, by Rev. J. B. Clayton.....		
	70	
MICHIGAN—\$2,799.54; of which		
Legacies, \$2,196.12.		
Received by Rev. L. Warren:		
Allendale.....	\$4 64	
Almira.....	4 00	
Batavia.....	4 00	
Dexter.....	18 00	
East Gilead, Rev. L. Curtiss.....	2 00	
Flat Rock.....	8 35	
Kalamazoo.....	10 00	
North Adams, S. S., for N. Star		
Mission.....	85	
Omena, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 22	
Port Huron.....	56 25	
Red Jacket.....	15 00	
Rockwood.....	10 00	
Sandstone.....	11 37	
Tipton.....	10 65	
Wacousta, For N. Star Mission.....	2 25	
Wayne.....	5 00	
Wheatland, S. S.....	6 00	
	180 56	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F.		
Grabill, Treas., rec'd in April:		
Benton Harbor.....	\$5 10	
Detroit, Woodward Avenue, for		
Salary Fund.....	50 00	

Flint.....	\$21 67
Greenville.....	9 71
Hamburg.....	5 60
Hanc ck.....	10 00
Hartford.....	10 00
Jackson, special.....	10 00
Lawrence.....	2 00
Maple City.....	4 00
Olivet, Y. P. S. C. E., special.....	5 00
Pinckney.....	5 00
Pottsville, Mrs. B. Landers, for the Debt.....	2 00
Stanton.....	11 39
Tipton.....	5 00
Worden, Mrs. A. Waldron	
Thompson.....	15 00

\$170 87

Young People's North Star Mis-
sion:

Alba.....	\$2 00
Benzonia, S. S.....	13 20
Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
Detroit, Mt. Hope Primary Miss. Band.....	1 25
Eastmanville S. S.....	1 45
Fisher's Station, S. S.....	1 70
Hudsonville, S. S.....	38
Lacy, A. Friend.....	1 00
Litchfield, Mrs. S. Lovejoy's S. S. class.....	45
Dr. Howard's S. S. class.....	65
C. Sherks, S. S. class.....	1 35
Mancelona, S. S.....	90
A little boy's Mite Box.....	3 12
Maple City, special.....	6 60
Onekama, Cheerful Workers.....	2 00
Salem, First Ch. S. S.....	3 00
Solon, S. S.....	1 70
White Cloud.....	2 10

\$47 75

Easter Offerings:

Addison, S. S.....	\$3 00
Alganssee, S. S.....	1 27
Allegan, S. S.....	4 25
Banks, S. S.....	1 25
Bedford, S. S.....	2 00
Bent on Harbor, S. S.....	3 00
Bridgeport, S. S.....	1 85
Carmel, Ch.....	2 20
Chester Station, S. S.....	1 00
Detroit, S. S. of German Evan- gelical Ch. of Christ.....	1 50
Dover, S. S.....	1 70
East Fulton, S. S.....	1 60
Grand Rapids, S. S., South Ch.....	5 77
Hancock, S. S.....	16 25
Leshie, First S. S.....	2 40
Second Ch. S. S.....	1 21
Litchfield S. S.....	2 25
Midleville, S. S.....	1 50
Onekama, S. S.....	2 00
Ovid, S. S.....	6 60
Rapid River, S. S.....	4 50
Roscommon, S. S.....	2 18
Six Lakes, S. S.....	75
Victor, S. S.....	1 00
Wacousta, S. S.....	3 24
White Cloud, S. S.....	90
Whittaker, S. S.....	3 57

\$7-28 \$296 85

Adrian, On account of Legacy of
Mrs. A. W. Lathrop, by A. L. Millard,
Att'y..... 196 12

Allegan, Legacy of Elizabeth Booth, by Emily M. Church, Ex.....	2,000 00
Chase, by R. v. E. I. Ayer.....	9 86
Chebovogan, First, bal. of coll. by A. P. Frost.....	1 26
Columbus, by Rev. W. I. Hunt.....	7 12
Kastlake, by Rev. W. Excell.....	2 25
Fremont, by Rev. F. Stephens.....	30 00

Hersey, by Rev. L. F. Waldo.....	\$3 50
Maybee and Raisinville, by Rev. L. T. Frink.....	4 00
Nashville, by Rev. C. M. Arthur.....	15 21
Old Mission, by Rev. A. Van Auker.....	4 00
Pentwater, \$6.54; South Haven, \$7.50, by Rev. R. Lewis.....	14 84
Rapid River, by Rev. E. L. Chamber- lin.....	11 00
Standish, by Rev. W. H. Yarrow.....	12 50
West Branch, by Rev. C. W. Carrick.....	11 95

WISCONSIN—\$98.60.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Treas.: Beloit, W. H. M. S., First Ch., for Bo- hemian work.....	5 00
Baldwin's Mills, Mrs. H. Baldwin.....	5 00
Beloit, Rev. J. Porter.....	50 00
Clinton, H.....	5 00
Eau Claire, by Rev. G. W. Nelson.....	7 10
Prentice, by Rev. E. C. Chevis.....	5 78
Sturgeon Bay, by Rev. T. G. Grassie.....	20 72

IOWA—\$88.60.

Farragut, by H. Rogers.....	28 60
Ginnell, A Friend in Cong. Ch., by H. Lawrence.....	50 00
Olds, J. H. Martin.....	10 00

MINNESOTA—\$1,042.19.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley:

Elk River, Ch., \$1.60; S. S., \$2.04.....	\$9 64
Owatonna, Ch., \$15.55; S. S., \$5.45.....	21 10
St. Anthony Park.....	9 76
St. Paul, Pacific.....	5 88
Winona, First.....	521 50

\$567 78

Woman's H. M. Soc., Mrs. M.

W. Skinner, Treas.: Claremont.....	\$5 00
Detroit.....	5 50
Hawley.....	2 00
Lake Stuy, S. S.....	7 86
Minneapolis, First, \$20; Lyndale, \$9. 5.....	29 75
Monticello.....	6 00
New Richland.....	10 00
Northfield, Carleton College, to const. Miss L. H. Richardson a L. M.....	63 87
Plainview.....	7 50
Revillo, S. S., So. Dak.....	1 00
Stillwater.....	6 00
Sank Center, Y. P. S. C. E., \$6.00; Y. L. S.; L. S., \$34.89.....	45 59
St. Paul, Atlantic.....	10 00
Villard.....	5 00
Waseca.....	30 03
West Dora.....	4 00
Winona, First, to const. Mrs. W. W. Bartlett and Mrs. N. D. Slaughter L. Ms., special.....	140 00

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\$ 79 10

Anoka, Bethel Ch., \$5; Ham Lake, \$5, by Rev. A. P. Sjodahl.....	10 00
Crookston, by Rev. K. H. Batev.....	15 15
Fertile, Mentor, and Maple City, by Rev. A. G. Washington.....	5 00
Montevideo, by Rev. J. H. Nason.....	15 00
Sleepy Eve, Union Ch., by Rev. A. Striemer.....	9 50
Tyler, by Rev. J. L. Martin.....	4 41
Wadena, Ch., \$30; S. S., \$5, by Rev. T. M. Edman's.....	35 00
Wazata, by Rev. S. Stone.....	8 25

KANSAS—\$238.01.

Received by Rev. J. G. Dougherty

Treas.: Centralia.....	\$16 90
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Fairview, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$10 00
Kansas City, First.....	1 75
Stockton, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 00
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	\$31 65

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Treas., to const.	
Mrs. Ellen Amana a L. M.	
Emporia, W. M. S., \$30, Chil-	
dren's Soc., \$6	\$56 00
Fairview	9 25
Kirwin	2 50
Manhattan	15 00
Nickerson	13 00
Quindaro, Mrs. G. L. Tucker.....	1 00
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	\$96 85

Arkansas City, by Rev. D. De Long	
Dial, Mt. Ayr, New Harmony, and Ash	
Rock, by Rev. N. Emmerson.....	9 70
Kansas City, by Rev. H. D. Herr.....	5 80
Leavenworth, by Rev. W. C. Veazie....	70 00
Patridge, Ladies' Soc., by Rev. E. L. Hull.....	3 00

NEBRASKA.—\$115.78.

Received in March by J. W. Bell, Treas.:

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Treas.:	
Arberville.....	\$10 00
Clay Center, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 40
Columbus, \$5.4; S. S., \$3.68.....	9 15
Crete	6 10
David City.....	1 25
Fairfield, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 10
Hastings, Y. P. S. C. E., \$2.65; Juvenile, \$20.....	22 65
Kearney, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 16
Lincoln, First, \$35; First Junior, \$1; First S. S., \$25.....	64 00
Plymouth	5 00
Omaha, Plymouth	20 00
St. Mary's Avenue.....	25 00
Sutton.....	5 00
Stanton, \$1; Y. P. S. C. E., \$3.....	10 00

\$190 81

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:

Eagle	\$4 15
Franklin, Cong. S. S.....	14 00
Kilpatrick.....	8 75
Seward.....	12 25
Stanton.....	20 20
Waverly.....	3 45

\$62 80

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Treas.:

Norfolk.....	\$17 38
Burwell, by Rev. D. W. Comstock.....	5 00
Farnam, by Rev. J. B. D. Little.....	1 00
Hemingford, by Rev. W. W. Tenhoff.....	2 00
Hyannis, by Rev. J. B. Brown.....	1 14
Leigh, by Rev. R. M. Travers.....	2 65
Newcastle, by Rev. John Roberts.....	8 25
Riverton, by Rev. J. A. Hadden.....	56
Strang and Shiley, by Rev. E. E. Ely.....	15 00

NORTH DAKOTA.—\$5.00.

Inkster and Orr, by Rev. C. Y. Snell... 5 00

SOUTH DAKOTA.—\$16.51.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Treas.:

Huron	\$5 00
Irquois	2 50
Watertown	5 10
Yankton	2 86

15 86

Received by Rev. P. Hitchcock:

Eden	\$10 83
Henry	1 90
Weoster	6 75
P. Hitchcock.....	5 00

\$24 48

Alcester and Beresford, by Rev. W. S. Washburn..... 15 00

De Smet and Lake Henry, by Rev. G. A. Trant..... 11 67

Eden, by Rev. R. Norton..... 3 00

Howard, Winfred, and Freedom, by Rev. G. W. Shaw..... 4 00

Huron, S. S. of the First, by E. S. Kimball..... 15 00

Lead City, by Rev. J. G. Campbell..... 10 00

Millbank, by Rev. W. G. Dickinson..... 15 00

Rapid City, First, by J. C. Vears, to const. Mrs. Anna S. Cooper a L. M..... 50 00

Sioux Falls, \$2.4; C. W. Wurschmidt, \$2.76, by Rev. C. W. Wurschmidt..... 5 00

COLORADO.—\$199.75.

Received by Rev. C. M. Sanders:

Lafayette.....	\$5 00
Rev. H. R. Vaughan.....	10 00
W. H. M. Union.....	11 50

26 50

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas.:

Denver, Ladies' Aid Soc. of First Ch. for Salary Fund..... 50 00

35 00Colorado 1 00 |

Crested Butte, Union Ch., by Rev. E. Martin..... 6 25

Denver, Olivet Ch., by Rev. J. F. Smith..... 9 00

Longmont, First, by E. White..... 72 00

MONTANA.—\$3.07.

Geasgon, by Rev. W. S. Bell.....

UTAH.—\$21.00.

Hooper, Huntsville, Farmington, and Centerville, by Rev. T. G. Lewis..... 1 00

Salt Lake City, Phillips Ch., by Rev. H. M. Burr..... 20 00

CALIFORNIA.—\$184.50.

Received by Rev. J. H. Warren, D. D.:

Galt..... \$20 00

San Francisco, First, Mrs. J. D. Gage..... 10 00

Susanville..... 5 00

35 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Southern Cal., Mrs. H. W. Mills, Treas.:

Buena Park, Y. P. S. C. E..... \$2 00

Los Angeles, Third..... 8 00

Park, Young People's Miss. Soc..... 7 10

Pasadena, North..... 5 00

Perris..... 5 00

Pico Heights..... 5 50

Poway..... 5 00

San Diego, Second..... 2 95

Santa Ana..... 5 00

45 55

Fresno, by Rev. J. F. Gilberg..... 20 00

N. rhoff, Ch., \$ 7.25; W. H. Miss. Soc., \$6, by Rev. C. S. Vaile..... 23 25

Pescadero, First, by Rev. D. F. Taylor..... 7 50

San Andreas and Immanuel, by Rev. J. D. Foster..... 4 00

San Miguel, by Rev. E. B. Tutbill..... 20 00

Santa Rosa, by Rev. J. K. Nagel..... 14 10

Snnol Glen, by Rev. J. H. Strong.....	\$10 10
Weaverville and Lewiston, by Rev. F. King.....	5 00
OREGON—\$54.69.	
Albina, by Rev. J. L. Herschner	15 53
Ashland, First, by Rev. G. J. Webster.....	2 00
Beaver Creek and Oswego, by Rev. R. M. Jones	7 00
Hillshoro, by Rev. B. F. Moody.....	12 70
Hood River, by Rev. F. M. Aunks.....	17 56

WASHINGTON—\$99.18.	
Edgewater, First, by Rev. M. P. Jones	32 48
Roy and Hillhurst, by Rev. R. Brown.....	25 50
Spokane Falls, by Rev. W. Davies.....	25 00
Tacoma, by Rev. L. P. Paulson.....	7 50
S. S. of the First, by Rev. R. A. Beard.....	8 70
HOME MISSIONARY.....	233 60
	\$26,707 86

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Andover Center, N. H. Ch., by Mrs. Lyman Carrier, box and freight.....	\$8 20
Berkeley, Cal., Theo Dora Miss. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. H. W. Chapman, box, barrel, and package.....	107 00
Dayton, O., Ladies' Aid Soc. of Central Ch., by Mrs. G. W. Bosson, barrel.....	100 00
East Orange, N. J., Wiling Workers' Soc. of First Ch., by Gertrude H. Boyce, box and freight.....	76 00
Elyria, O., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Miss C. E. Crandall, box.....	130 39
Finishing, N. Y., Ladies' Working Soc. of First Ch., by Miss Cornelia Treadwell, three barrels.....	263 92
Grand Rapids, Mich., Ladies' Aid Soc. of South Ch., by Sara R. Jones, barrel, box, and cash.....	45 00
Grinnell, Iowa, W. H. M. U. of Iowa, by Mrs. T. O. Douglas, value of articles.....	750 00
Henniker, N. H. Ch., by F. L. Allen, box.....	75 00
Middletown, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of South Ch., by Sara L. Browning, box.....	141 92
New Haven, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Ch. of the Redeemer, by Mrs. W. A. Hotchkiss, box.....	115 00
College Street Ch., by Miss M. J. Botsford, box.....	130 00
Ladies' Aid Soc. of United Ch., by Caroline M. Pease, box.....	108 05
Rockville, Ct., King's Daughters Cir., by Mrs. L. E. Newhall, package.....	7 75
Romeo, Mich., W. H. M. Soc., by Miss Mary A. Dickinson, box.....	10 60
St. Louis, Mo., W. H. M. Soc. of Pilgrim Ch., by Mrs. J. E. Luman, three barrels.....	177 20
Wallingford, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Leonard B. Bishop, barrel.....	65 76
Wethersfield, Ct., Ladies' Aid Soc. of First Ch., by Miss M. Southworth, barrel, freight, and cash.....	91 70
Windsor Locks, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Charles H. Coye, barrel.....	49 60

Bluehill, by Rev. A. Donnell.....	\$20 20
Boston, Prof. S. H. Woodbridge, annual. Brewer, First Cong. S. S., by Willis I. Bunker.....	2 40
Brownville, by S. A. Smith.....	10 00
Bucksport, Elm St., by Edward Swasey.....	6 00
Camden, Elm St., by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	67 68
Deer Isle, First, for A. H. M. S., by Rev. J. S. Richards.....	20 00
East Baldwin, by Mrs. Frank Brown.....	4 10
East Sumner, by Rev. D. S. Hubbard.....	9 75
East Orrington, by Rev. S. D. Towne.....	7 00
Edgecomb, by Rev. C. G. Holyoke.....	2 56
Ellor, by Rev. T. F. Millett.....	43 90
Farmington, First, by A. F. Belcher.....	12 93
Fort Fairfield, by Rev. G. B. Hescok.....	91 48
Island Falls, for A. H. M. S., by Rev. V. Moses.....	11 00
Kittery, for A. H. M. S., by Rev. H. V. Emmons.....	5 00
By Rev. H. V. Emmons.....	14 38
Emmons.....	6 00
Kennebunk, S. S. for Outer Long Island chapel, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	16 00
Limerick, by Rev. T. S. Perry.....	9 00
Lincoln, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	1 00
By Rev. S. D. Towne.....	5 50
Litchfield Cor., by D. T. Smith.....	12 00
Lyman, by Rev. James Richmond.....	46 00
Machias, Center St., by A. L. Heaton.....	6 67
Mechanic Falls, by Rev. Fred Newport.....	20 00
Oxford Conference, by H. M. Bolster.....	15 20
Patten for A. H. M. S., by V. Moses.....	10 00
Phippsburg, by Rev. R. S. Sheaff.....	8 25
Portland, Mrs. Mary Ann Kibborn (deceased), legacy, by F. K. Barrett, Ex.....	2,510 06
P. riland, A Friend.....	20 00
Fourth, by Rev. J. G. Wilson.....	16 00
Readfield, J. B. Mayhew and Wife.....	5 00
Presque Isle, by Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	17 00
Princeton, by Rev. C. L. Nichols, and.....	8 00
Saco, Ladies of First, Mite-boxes, by Miss Georgia B. Allen for A. H. M. S.....	15 00
Searsport, First, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	24 37
Sebago Lake, by Miss A. M. Lowell.....	2 76
Sherman Mills, Washburn Memorial, by Rev. I. C. Bumpus.....	5 00
Skowhegan, by Rev. A. S. Rackliff.....	12 00
South Brewer, A Friend, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	1 00
South Gardiner, First, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	15 83
South Paris, by H. N. Bolster.....	9 00
Standish, by Miss Abbie M. Lowell.....	7 75
Turner, by F. Dresser.....	17 57
Union, by E. F. Joy.....	20 00
Veazie, by Rev. S. D. Towne.....	10 00
West Newfield, by Eben H. Symes.....	12 50
Wiscasset, by Rev. C. L. Burroughs.....	7 40
Yarmouth, Mrs. L. J. Kvie (deceased) legacy, by B. Freeman, Esq., Ex.....	95 09
Dividends, etc.....	170 00
Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, Treas.....	477 90
	\$9,897 94

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the New Hampshire Home Missionary Society from March 1 to May 1, 1891, L. D. STEVENS, Treas.

Atkinson, in part to const. a L. M., \$23.12: Mr. E. F. Shannon for A. H. M. S. \$25.....	\$24 02
Anson, for A. H. M. S.....	6 16
Bennington.....	6 01
Canterbury, Y. P. S. C. E.....	9 00
Center Ossipee.....	16 65
Chesterfield.....	13 00
Colebrook.....	10 00

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from Feb. 27 to May 23, 1891. JOHN L. CROSBY, Treas.

Bath, Mrs. Nancy E. Clapp, deceased, legacy, by W. D. Hill and Edw. H. Morse, Exrs.....	\$6,000 00
Blanchard Cong. S. S., by Martin Gilman.....	8 00

Concord, Mrs. J. Minot's S. S. Class in So. Ch.	\$3 00
East Concord	6 00
Epping	1 00
Goffstown, \$11.10; A Friend, \$3.	13 10
Hopkinton	25 56
Kingston	25 34
Lyndeborough, S. S. of Cong. Ch.	6 00
Manchester, First, for Parsonage in East Andover	25 00
McKimac, Balance of Legacy of John Wheeler	500 00
Milton, for A. H. M. S.	9 40
Milton Mills	6 04
Newington	15 50
Raymond	28 40
Rochester, for A. H. M. S.	17 50
Swansea, \$16.40; A Friend \$6.	22 10
Walpole, Y. P. S. C. E.	5 00
Warner, \$6.34; Y. P. S. C. E., \$3.66.	10 00
West Lebanon, A Friend	1 00
Westmoreland	5 00
Wolfborough, First, \$2; Income of Estate of Nancy C. Lord, \$4.	6 10
F. C. I. and H. M. Union, Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.	142 75
	\$978 02

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from April 20 to May 20, 1891. T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Acuteville	\$6 50
Bridport	10 38
Brookfield, Second, Y. P. S. C. E.	3 50
Burlington, College St.	42 61
Y. P. S. C. E. for Lady Evangelists	5 00
Chester, Y. P. S. C. E.	1 25
Fairfield East	3 00
Fairlee	14 40
Hyde Park, Supply	10 00
Johnson, special	45 00
Londonberry	8 50
Norwich	25 00
Pawlet, Legacy of Miss Eleanor M. Osgood, by Clark J. Munson, Ex.	197 60
Post Mills	8 90
Pownal, North, "Cash"	10 00
Proctor, Swedish Ch.	3 00
Royalton, South	52 11
Roxbury, Supply	5 00
Stowe	50 63
Tunbridge, Legacy of Jerusha S. Tracy, in part, by E. F. Howe, Ex.	166 64
Wells River	63 59
West Fairlee	4 50
West Rutland, to const. Mrs. Hattie Adams and Miss Belle H. Freeman L. M.	42 60
Lamoille County Conference	3 00
Dividends	105 40
VERMONT MISSIONARY	6 25
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.	
Barre, Ladies' Union	\$5 00
Brookfield, Second, W. H. M. S.	10 00
New Haven, Ladies' Aid Soc.	5 00
Orange, W. H. M. S.	6 00
Pittsford, W. H. M. S.	20 00
Stowe, W. H. M. S.	5 00
Swanton, W. H. M. S.	13 30
St. Johnsbury, North Ch., W. H. M. S.	67 15
West Newbury, W. H. M. S.	5 00
Windsor, Mrs. Abbie Butler	20 00
	151 45
	\$1,040 12

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in May. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treas.

Amesbury, Main St., by C. F. Hovey	\$21 60
Amherst, A Friend, for A. H. M. S.	2 00
North, by S. E. Harrington, to const. Mrs. Hattie M. Parsons and Mrs. Henry Bartlett L. M., and Mrs. Wm. B. Loomis L. M. of A. H. M. S.	110 00
Andover, Free Christian, by Mrs. M. C. Cole	68 75
Bank balances, Interest on	20 46
Bedford, by H. A. Gleason	10 00
Boston, A Friend, "A. L." for two German Students	100 00
"A. M. B."	1 00
Roxbury, Immanuel, by F. O. White	158 49
Union, C. P. Adams, by W. H. White, Thank-offering	200 00
Boxford, Miss Mary A. B. Gould, to const. herself a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	50 00
West, by Rev. C. L. Hubbard	26 00
Braintree, First, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Miss Sarah H. Thayer, to const. Miss Lucy W. Gibbs a L. M.	80 00
Bridgewater, Scotland, by Mrs. S. O. Keith	14 45
Brookline, First, by Dea. Burke, through Rev. L. V. Price, to const. Julia Packard, Lysander F. Gurney, Horace L. Kendrick, and Mary S. Hinckley, L. M.	133 00
Cambridge, North, Est. of Mrs. Theda Garritt, by W. B. Garritt	3,030 25
Shepard, Mutual Bible Class in S. S., by A. B. Seymour, for A. H. M. S.	50 00
Chelsea Central, by Azel Ames	54 40
Concord, Third, by E. C. Damon, Taft recognition	5 00
Tin., by Thomas Todd	62 71
Dartmouth, South, Ladies' Cent Society, by Esther G. Gifford	10 00
Douglass, First, by Rev. James Wells	18 24
Dover, by F. H. Wight	8 92
Easton, Evan, by A. M. Hayward	73 54
Enfield, by L. D. Potter	40 00
Essex, by Mary C. Osgood	40 00
Essex County, A Friend, to const. E. B. Palmer, a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	50 00
Everett, Mystic Side Cong. S. S., by R. B. Henderson, for A. H. M. S.	4 04
Union, by R. B. Henderson, for A. H. M. S.	8 37
Fitchburg, Rollstone, by W. E. Clifford, Taft recognition	25 00
Foxboro, by H. Carpenter	37 24
Freetown, Assonet, by G. M. Nichols	4 24
Germany, Rev. Prof. and Mrs. C. M. Mead, by Henry T. Abbe, for A. H. M. S.	50 00
Greenwich, by Rev. E. P. Blodgett	24 00
Mrs. P. T. Haskell, by Mr. A. M. Bassett	5 00
Groton, by Rev. E. L. Gulick, Taft recognition	5 00
Hallfax, by M. Juliett Danforth	7 11
Hampden Benevolent Association, by Chas. Marsh, Treas.	
Granville, East	\$17 00
Palmer, Second	75 00
So. Hadley, Falls	12 88
Springfield, First, Ladies	150 00
Hope	63 68
Westfield, First	13 91
	332 47
Hawley, by Rev. S. Bixby, Taft recognition	20 15
Ipswich, First, by N. R. Farley	50 00

Leominster, by A. O. Wilder, Taft recognition	\$25 00
Lowell, Pawtucket, by S. B. Simonds	37 00
Marlboro, Mrs. Lucy A. Patch	40
Marshfield, East, Second, Men's Bible Class in S. S., by L. Sherman	10 28
Mills, by Elbridge Clark	17 04
Milton, First, by Rev. H. S. Huntington, add'l.	3 00
Mountrey, by Jona. Townsend, for A. H. M. S.	17 38
Norrbidge, Rockdale, by Rev. J. H. Childs	10 00
Whitinsville, add'l, by Edward Whitin.	6 00
Extra-Cent-a Day Band, by Mrs. C. E. Whitin.	19 44
Pepperell, by Chas. Crosby	57 42
E. W. Harrington	100 00
Pittsfield, South, by I. M. Peirson	41 53
Reading, Anonymous	5 00
Reed, Dwight Fund, Income of	90 00
Shirley, by John W. Thacher, Taft recognition	11 18
Shutebury, by N. A. Briggs	6 00
Spencer, Mrs. J. M. Temple	10 00
Templeton, Trin., by John Whittemore	25 00
Uxbridge, Evan, by W. W. Thayer	35 44
Waltham, Phene S. Garfield	1 40
Trinitarian, by F. W. Temple	53 94
Whitecomb, David, Fund Income of	22 50
Worthington, by L. F. Stevens	22 38
	\$5,588 73
HOME MISSIONARY	2 40
	\$5,591 13

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in May.

Deftam, Ladies' Benev. Soc, by A. T. Wight, barrel	\$86 14
Young Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Miss S. K. Burgess, barrel	124 24
Dorchester, Ladies' Aux. of Second Ch., by Miss M. B. Means, two barrels	165 89
Framingham, Auxiliary W. H. M. A., by Miss E. Stone, barrel and freight	381 53
Lowell, H. M. Soc. High St. Ch., by Mrs. C. W. Huntington, barrel and freight	82 50
North Andover Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. C. E. Stillings, barrel	57 00
North Brookfield, Ladies' Ben Soc. First Ch., by S. C. Batchelder, barrel, unappraised	
Peabody, Ladies' Assoc. So. Ch., by Mrs. M. E. Trask, three barrels	260 17
Pittsfield, Sunshine Circle, by Annie T. Crossman, barrel and freight	98 06
Spencer, Ladies' Charitable Soc., by Mrs. C. O. Fyler, barrel	44 25
Taunton, Sewing Soc. Broadway Ch., by Mrs. C. H. Worthen, barrel and freight	84 19
Ware, Miss Sage's Cla s, by M. A. Barlow, barrel and freight	95 00

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in May, 1891. W. W. JACOBS, Treas.

Berlin, Second, A Friend	\$25 00
Cheshire, by F. N. Hall	16 00
Derby, by Eunice Hubbell	26 00
East Windsor, Broad Brook, for A. H. M. S., by S. B. Adams	14 40

Glastonbury, First, by E. H. Andrews	\$26 00
Glenswood, First, by Rev. E. G. Stone	22 50
Groton, by P. C. McLeod	63 75
Hartford, Pearl St., by Wm. A. Wilbard	84 41
North Canaan, First, by A. B. Gardfield	4 81
Old Saybrook, quarterly for A. H. M. S., by Robert Chapman	49 48
Prospect, by Rev. Wm. H. Phipps	12 00
Putnam, Second, for A. H. M. S., by H. N. Fenn	96 08
Roxbury, by Edward W. Preston	10 95
Stony Creek, by Rev. Geo. A. Peiton	5 00
Thomaston, by P. Darrow	13 65
Watertown, by Wm. W. Partree	21 83
	\$492 46

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in April, 1891. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Altona, S. S.	\$17 66
Atkinson, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Chandler	10 00
Batavia, Rev. J. E. Bassell	4 00
Byron, Mrs. T. H. Read	100 00
Chenoo	7 50
Chicago, First	71 27
Plymouth	5 00
New England	106 24
South	73 96
South German	2 00
Englewood, Pilgrim, Y. P. S. C. E.	10 00
Emington	30 00
Galesburg, First Ch. of Christ	25 00
Hillsboro	7 36
Moline	100 00
New Grand Chain	4 00
Normal, First	18 00
Ottawa	52 63
Prospect Park	1 00
Ridgeland	66 60
River Grove	10 00
Seward (Winnebag Co.), S. S.	5 57
Springfield, Second	2 36
Woodburn, of which A. L. Sturges, \$10.	18 50
Wyand	14 08
A Friend	69 90
Mrs. Millie T. Carle	5 00
Int. on Emergency Fund	932 09
Rev. J. H. Parr, Paxton	5 00
C. T. Wyckoff, Kyoto, Japan	15 00
Misses Grace and Gettrude Wyckoff, Pang Chuang, China	16 00
	\$1,116 77

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged	\$36,630 79
Connecticut, Meriden	7 00
Colorado, Denver	50 00
District of Columbia, Washington	25 00
Massachusetts, Gilebertville, \$4; So. Framingham, \$25; W. H. M. A., \$5 S. O.	789 07
Michigan, Detroit	50 00
New York, Brooklyn	635 00
Pennsylvania, Philadelphia	50 00
Vermont, Burlington, \$5; Chelsea, \$5.50; Essex Junction, \$3; Grafton, \$4.63; Randolph, \$5; Vergennes, \$3	27 13
	\$38,252 99

TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS

OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1891, TO JUNE 1, 1891.

	A.H.M.S.	For Pastor's Salary.*		A.H.M.S.	For Pastor's Salary.*
New Hampshire.....	\$147 75		Indiana.....	\$48 25	
Minnesota.....	379 10		South-ern California.....	45 55	
Massachusetts.....	583 47		Vermont.....	186 41	
Rhode Island.....			Colorado.....	96 50	
Maine.....	318 60		Wyoming.....		
Michigan.....	296 85		Georgia.....		
Kansas.....	96 86		Alabama.....		
Ohio.....	930 80		Mississippi.....	1 00	
New York.....	723 11		Louisiana.....		
Wisconsin.....	5 0		Arkansas.....		
North Dakota.....	2 42		Kentucky.....		
Oregon.....	50 10		Tennessee.....		
Washington.....			North Carolina.....		
Northern Idaho.....	74 15		Texas.....	58 50	
South Dakota.....	15 36		Montana.....		
Connecticut.....	222 50		Pennsylvania.....		
Missouri.....	83 00		Oklahoma.....		
Illinois.....			New Jersey.....	50 00	
Iowa.....			Dist. Columbia.....		
California.....			Maryland.....		
Nebraska.....	17 38		Virginia.....		
Florida.....	175 00		Utah.....		
			Total.....	\$3,904 86	

* This column is to show amounts, as reported to the Woman's Dept., contributed by W. H. M. auxiliaries in struggling churches to help pay the pastor's salary, but not credited to any organization.

Woman's State H. M. Organizations.

OFFICERS.

1.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION,

Organized August, 1804.

AND

HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.

Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.

Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2.

MINNESOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized September, 1872.

President, Mrs. Katherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.

Secretary, Miss Catherine T. Plant, 2651 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis.

Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.*

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,

Organized February, 1880.

President, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.

Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 39 Congregational House, Boston.

Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

4.

MAINE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,

Organized June, 1880.

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.

Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 168 Hammond St., Bangor.

Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St., Bangor.

5.

MICHIGAN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1881.

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexandrine Ave., Detroit.

Secretary, Mrs. Leroy Warren, Olivet.

Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabbil, Greenville.

6.

KANSAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1881.

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.

Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

7.

OHIO.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1882.

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St., Cleveland.

Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.

Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wader, Oberlin.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

8.

NEW YORK.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave., Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spaulding, 511 Orange St., Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, 59 Bible House, New York City.

9.

WISCONSIN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 540 State St., Madison.
Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Jackson, 117 Washington St., Janesville.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

10.

NORTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized November, 1883.

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.
Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

11.

OREGON.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized July, 1884.

President, Mrs. John Sommierville, 147 First St., Portland.
Secretary, Mrs. H. J. Livermore, Oregon City.
Treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 Park St., Portland.

12.

WASHINGTON.

INCLUDING NORTHERN IDAHO.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,
Organized July, 1884.

Re-organized June, 1889.

President, Mrs. N. F. Cobleigh, Walla Walla.
Secretaries, Mrs. E. Wilcox, Spokane Falls, Eastern Washington.
Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 406 Tacoma Ave., Tacoma, Western Washington.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. K. Abrams, Ellensburg.

13.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized September, 1884.

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbins, Bowdle.
Secretary, Miss Ida E. Willcutt, Willow Lakes.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Lake Preston.

14.

CONNECTICUT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized January, 1885.

President, Mrs. Jacob A. Biddle, 35 West St., So. Norwalk.
Secretary, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New Britain.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St., Hartford.

15.

MISSOURI.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3841 Delmar Ave., St. Louis.
Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3855 Washington Ave., St. Louis.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St. Louis.

16.

ILLINOIS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. Isaac Clafin, Lombard.
Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington St., Chicago.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Champaign.

17.

IOWA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1886.

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.
Secretary, Miss Ella E. Marsh, Box 232, Grinnell.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St., Dubuque.

18.

CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
Organized October, 1887.

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 686 34th St., Oakland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. W. Eckley, 1521 Schilla St., Alameda.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1829 Harrison St., Oakland.

19.

NEBRASKA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized November, 1887.

President, Mrs. T. H. Leavitt, 837 So. 13th St., Lincoln.
Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Smith, 716 High St., Beatrice.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Crete.

20.

FLORIDA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized February, 1888.

President, Mrs. S. F. Gale, Jacksonville.
Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Barrows, Winter Park.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Interlachen.

21.

INDIANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. E. C. Bell, 221 Christian Ave., Indianapolis.
Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Michigan City.

22.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. Emma Cash, 1710 Temple St., Los Angeles.
Secretary, Mrs. H. K. W. Bent, Box 442, Pasadena.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Spencer, 419 W. Second St., Los Angeles.

23.

VERMONT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. B. Swift, 167 King Street, Burlington.
Secretary, Mrs. M. K. Paine, Windsor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. P. Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury.

24.

COLORADO AND EASTERN WYOMING.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1888.

President, Mrs. J. W. Pickett, White Water, Colorado.
Secretary, Miss Mary L. Martin, 106 Platte Ave., Colorado Springs, Colorado.
Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.
For Wyoming, Mrs. W. L. Whipple, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

25.

GEORGIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized November, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. F. Sherrill, 236 West Peachtree St., Atlanta.
Secretary, Miss Willie Reynolds, Barnesville.
Treasurer, Miss Virginia Homes, Barnesville.

26.

ALABAMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized March, 1878.

Re-organized April, 1889.

President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.*Secretary*, Miss S. S. Evans, 25 9 Third Ave., Birmingham.*Treasurer*, Miss M. K. Lint, Selma.

27.

MISSISSIPPI.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Sarah Dickey, Clinton.*Secretary*, Miss Alice Flagg, Toulaloo.*Treasurer*, Miss Mary Gibson, Toulaloo.

28.

LOUISIANA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Jennie Fyfe, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Secretary*, Miss Anna F. Cond'ct, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. S. Shattuck, Amite City.

29.

ARKANSAS, KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE CENTRAL SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Organized April, 1889.

President, Mrs. E. M. Cravath, Fisk University Nashville, Tenn.*Secretary*, Mrs. Anna Cahill Bennett, Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.*Treasurer*, Mrs. G. S. Pope, Hartman, Tenn.

30.

NORTH CAROLINA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized October, 1889.

President, Miss M. E. Wilcox, Beaufort.*Secretary*, Miss A. E. Farrington, Raleigh.*Treasurer*, Mrs. Geo. S. Smith, 116 W. South St., Raleigh.

31.

TEXAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized March, 1890.

President, Mrs. S. E. Acheson, 1219 W. Woodard St., Denison.*Secretary*, Mrs. M. A. McCoy, 190 No. Harwood St., Dallas.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Lock Box 220, Dallas.

32.

MONTANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1890.

President, Mrs. F. D. Kelsey, Helena.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. S. Bell, 410 D arbourn Ave., Helena.*Treasurer*, Mrs. S. A. Wallace, Billings.

33.

PENNSYLVANIA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. W. H. Osterhout Ridgway.*Secretary*, Mrs. C. F. Yennie, Ridgway.*Treasurer*, Mrs. T. W. Jones, 218 So. 37th St., Philadelphia.

34.

OKLAHOMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1890.

President, Miss M. McConn II Guthrie.*Secretary*, Mrs. L. E. Kimball, Guthrie.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. A. McNabb, Oklahoma City.

35.

NEW JERSEY

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION OF THE

NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION, INCLUDING DIST.

COLUMBIA, MARYLAND, AND VIRGINIA.

Organized March, 1891.

President, Mrs. J. R. D. Noyes, 163 Union St., New York.*Secretary*, Mrs. Charles L. Merriam, 292 Van Houten St., Paterson.*Treasurer*, Mrs. J. H. Benson, 150 Belleville Ave., Newark.

36.

UTAH.

INCLUDING SOUTHERN IDAHO AND WESTERN WYOMING.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1891.

President, Mrs. Lydia Tichenor Bailey, 2454 Adams Ave., Ogden, Utah.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. S. Hawkes, 132 Sixth St., E. Salt Lake City.

Missionary Boxes.

FOR many years the ladies of our churches have helped this Society and cheered the homes of its missionaries, with boxes of clothing and other useful articles. The continuance of these favors is earnestly solicited. To secure satisfactory preparation and just distribution, attention is invited to the following suggestions:

1. Apply to the Secretaries to designate a family needing such assistance, and state, if practicable, how soon a box will probably be sent.
2. If a family is selected without applying to the Secretaries, notify them without delay, so as to guard against a duplication of gifts.
3. If several months should elapse before the box is ready to be sent, ascertain from the Secretaries whether the missionary's address remains as previously given.
4. Mark the box plainly and indelibly, fasten it securely, and forward it to the missionary, not by express, but by a Forwarding Company, if practicable; otherwise as "fast freight," by railroad, taking two receipts from the Company.
5. Write to the missionary, inclosing one of these receipts, a list of the articles sent in the box and the money—\$2, \$3, or \$4, according to weight and distance—for the payment of freight (if it cannot be prepaid). Mention, also, the name of the person to whom a letter of acknowledgment should be addressed.
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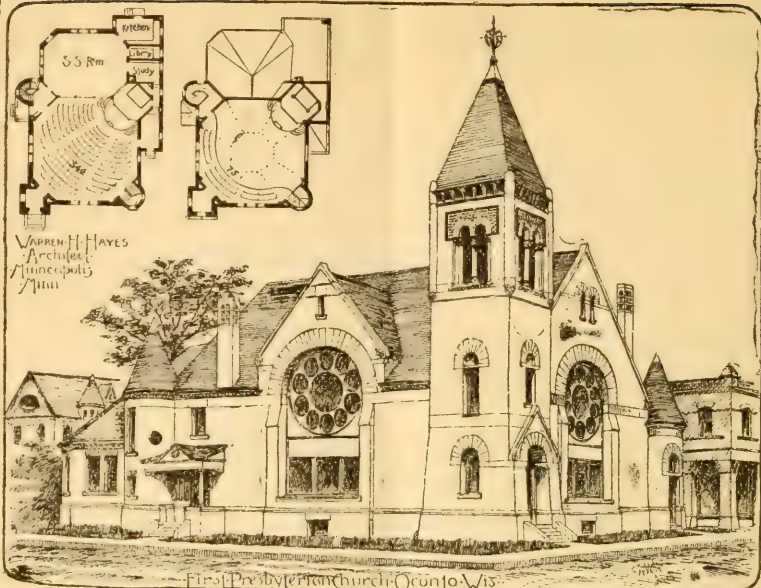
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IN A NUTSHELL.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Woman's Department of the A. H. M. S. was held in the Methodist Church, Saratoga, at 2:30 P.M. on Wednesday, June 3, 1891. Mrs. H. S. Caswell presided. An attentive audience filled the large house and joined in the opening hymn:

“Great God of nations! now we raise
Our hymn of gratitude and praise.”

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read by Mrs. Noyes, President of the New Jersey W. H. M. U. Mrs. Ford, of Southern California, read the Scripture lesson from the 62d chapter of Isaiah, after which we were led in tender and uplifting prayer by Mrs. Miner of Wisconsin.

Mrs. Caswell, in her cordial words of welcome, stated that many hearts were engaged in prayer for this meeting. among others, the Christian coal-miners of Indiana.

A brief sketch of the work of the Unions during the year was then presented, and the signal given for a “grand advance.” The suggestive picture of “The Model State Union” was received with thoughtful attention, which will bear fruit in practical results.

Among the workers from the field, we first listened to Mrs. Harmon Bross, of Nebraska, who gave some interesting bits of personal experience in helping to found new churches in that State.

Mrs. Herman Ficke, of Dubuque, Ia., followed with an account of the German work in Iowa, appealing earnestly for more prayer, more money, and more sympathy for the self-sacrificing laborers in this field. The Germans need an educated ministry. To secure this, the Academy at Crete, Nebraska, and the German Department of Chicago Theological Seminary, must be generously sustained.

Mrs. Joseph Ward, of Yankton, South Dakota, then described her work in endeavoring to establish a missionary church in Lesterville, seventeen miles from Yankton. The school-house was closed against them through infidel influence. A deserted saloon was used until the saloon-keeper seized the opportunity to reopen his business. Later, the station house afforded shelter for the embryo church until a more suitable home was provided, through the kindness of friends. A brief description of the privations and needs of one Christian woman in this field, and an appeal for thirty dollars to send a daughter in this family to Yankton College, resulted in the gift of five thirty-dollar scholarships on the spot, and promises of two others.

A box of flowers was received from the Superintendent of Home Missions in Oklahoma, and though Time had laid his withering touch upon them, they still plainly showed that the wilderness literally is blossoming as the rose.

Mrs. Caswell suggested that the collection be devoted to Mrs. Ward's work in Lesterville, and asked Superintendent Wiard to add a word concerning it. He paid a glowing tribute to Mrs. Ward's self-sacrificing life, and stated that she had opened this church in a community so ungodly that Christian men simply did not dare to undertake work in it.

As a preparation for the offering, the large audience rose and joined responsively in the Thank-offering Service which was conducted by Mrs. Flora K. Regal, of Ohio. At its close, the six young girls who had gathered the collection, were grouped before the desk while Superintendent Wiard besought God's blessing upon the gift and upon the object for which it was given. The collection amounted to a little more than \$335.

We next listened to Miss Selma Johnson's interesting narrative of her work among the Scandinavians of Minneapolis, a story of converted souls, reclaimed drunkards, reunited families, and other phases of practical Christianity.

An invitation was extended by Rev. Clarence Swift, the resident pastor, that the officers of the State Unions should gather with the officers of the National Society, and with the pastors and their wives, at a lunch and social gathering in the Congregational Church after the close of the service.

The last speaker from the field was Mr. Hayes, of the Coal Mine Mission in Indiana, and lest his characteristic modesty should prevent a full understanding of his work, Mr. Puddefoot emphasized his life of peril and the urgent needs of the work among the miners. The sympathy awakened quickly took practical form in gifts for a reading-room in connection with Mr. Hayes's church, which amounted to over \$80.

After the reading of a cordial message of sympathy and co-operation from Mrs. Moses Smith of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior, the audience was dismissed with the benediction by Mr. Hayes.

Thus closed the ninth annual meeting of the Woman's Department of the American Home Missionary Society. What shall be the result of these inspiring words, these quickened sympathies, these friendly counsels?

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MRS. A. H. PEARSON, *Scribe.*

SARATOGA, June 3, 1891.

SIGNIFICANT FACTS.

In her opening address Mrs. Caswell presented the following significant facts concerning the work of the women:

At the close of its fiscal year, 1890, the American Home Missionary Society had received from the Homeland Organization, \$35,578.43. In 1891, by an advance of \$5,975.05, the amount reaches, \$41,553.48; while the "Six Societies" have received \$86,059.96, a gain of \$16,506.28 over last year. The advance for the A. H. M. S. is gratefully appreciated by the officers of this venerable "Mother Society."

By reference to the Financial Table it will be observed that all but one of the frontier States at the West, and all but four at the South, show a gain for the A. H. M. S.

THERE has been a marked change in the correspondence of the Woman's Department. Last year the mails were laden with the question, "How?" as to methods of organization and work. That question has been asked only 1,688 times this year. The message to-day is: "We are regularly organized: we have regular meetings; now, we wish to *study the field*; we need a program and suggestions as to topics, methods of study, plans for reading, etc." One question with which we are becoming helplessly and hopelessly familiar, is this: "When shall we have a regular series of HOME MISSION STUDIES for our auxiliaries?"

THERE has been an increase in definite orders for literature. Last year the leaflets ordered numbered 135,770; this year, 202,821—a gain of nearly fifty per cent. This count refers only to orders sent to the Woman's Department.

WE are happy to acknowledge a noticeable improvement in the business methods of our correspondents. It is rare in these days that a letter of the old-fashioned type reaches the desk of your Secretary, where business orders, statistics, figures and friendly personalities were thrown together in such bewildering confusion, that both time and patience were sorely taxed to bring order out of chaos.

ONE word of appeal to those who send orders for leaflets to be used at a special meeting. *Please give us more time.* These leaflets must be

counted out, assorted, arranged, and done up safely to endure the wear of a long journey. Sometimes the order is sent at the last moment, and by a frantic effort the package reaches its destination at the last moment. Sometimes, also, it is impossible to meet the order at the time designated, and disappointment is the result. A little calculation as to distances, an early call for the leaflets, will obviate this difficulty.

WE note with pleasure an increasing disposition to study the "Special Numbers" of *The Home Missionary*. By giving out the different sections as topics, to different people, an interesting meeting and a fund of information have been secured.

THERE is an increasing demand for Leaflet 98, "How to Organize," which has now been revised and enlarged, and saves busy officers both time and expense in answering questions.

EXPERIENCES OF A MISSIONARY WIFE.

BY MRS. HARMON BROSS, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA.

My home has been in a frontier State for eighteen years. And it scarcely need be said that in that length of time one must have passed through many and varied experiences. When asked for a personal experience I began hunting around for one which seemed especially startling or exciting. But as I now look back over the years, none of the experiences seem very novel or thrilling.

So, in place of some exciting experience, I thought I might tell you something about the work of a Home Missionary's wife, going with the missionary to help in the organization of the churches, teaching in the Sunday-schools, starting the Missionary Society, helping and encouraging the Aid Societies.

Sometimes when the missionary is worn out, and has a long ride of forty or fifty miles before him, the wife goes along to drive, and take the care of providing for the trip, so that the missionary may rest.

When Mr. Bross began his work as General Missionary in Northwest Nebraska, he had his headquarters at Norfolk, the railroad then running only as far as Valentine. As the road pushed on west he followed closely so as to occupy fields as soon as open. When the road reached Chadron he immediately began work, holding his first service in the open air; soon the gospel tabernacle was raised, and it was decided to organize a church there and at two other points, Hay Springs and Rushville. As there was but one church nearer than Norfolk and Neligh, three hundred miles away, these churches were invited to the council, and I was elected delegate from Norfolk. An all-night ride brought us to Chadron in the early

morning. A Western town a few days old is a curious sight. Here were a thousand people living in tents, and all the varieties of trade represented: groceries, hardware, furniture stores, dry goods, hotels, boarding houses—in tents. All professions and trades, lawyers, doctors, barbers, butchers, bakers—in tents; saloons and gambling dens sheltered in the same way.

No place for us but the gospel tent, so we go there for rest. We must spend the night in this tabernacle. So Mr. Bross procures the wire springs of a bed from the furniture tent, on which we plan to put the blankets we have brought with us, but toward night a heavy rain comes on and soon the ground is too wet and cold for a bed. What is to be done? Fortunately we have brought provisions with us; we scoop out a hole in the ground, and build a chip fire, Indian fashion, having to open the tent door, of course, to let the smoke out,—boil some water in an empty fruit can, make a little tea, and eat our supper from off a chair. Then we put the wire springs up on four chairs, climb on, and sleep as well as the cold and wet and a croupy little boy will allow.

The next morning is bright and beautiful, so the discomfort of the night is forgotten. We take an early freight train Saturday morning for Rushville, where our first service is to be held.

The Sabbath is a full day and one long to be remembered. A small company gathered in the gospel tabernacle, with its white canvas walls, and the green grass for a carpet, far away from the old homes and the old associations. We are strangers to each other, but brothers and sisters in the dear Redeemer. The usual services are held and the right hand of fellowship is given to the church farther west than any in all Nebraska.

A hasty lunch and we drive to Hay Springs, twelve miles, where a similar service is held with similar surroundings, and we have a second church still farther west.

Then a twenty-mile drive to Chadron, which we hope to reach in time for supper before service. But, alas for our expectations! The way is long and the team slow. It is nearly nine o'clock when the white tents appear in sight. "To the tabernacle at once," says the missionary, and we all obey. We find the tent crowded full, and all the space in front for fifteen or twenty feet packed with men waiting for the service to begin. A few singers had gathered about a borrowed organ, and the sweet melody of the gospel hymns rings out on the evening air, bringing back to these men tender memories of the old homes and the old church far away. They listen eagerly.

We push our way through the crowd, and the services begin. Soon the little boy is asleep on my lap, forgetting his supperless condition until breakfast-time next morning, when he says, "Why, mamma, I didn't

have any supper last night, did I?" The third church is duly organized with much enthusiasm.

Three churches in one day! Probably some of you have heard of the good accomplished in all that region by those churches. You may have heard how the Hay Springs Church, now quite strong and wide-awake, has helped supply the needs and taken care of the refugees during the dreadful Indian trouble of the past winter, the parsonage sheltering twenty or more besides its usual occupants.

Mr. Bross soon moved his headquarters to Chadron, where, in place of the tent, you may now see the neat church which has already been enlarged, and its pleasant parsonage. It is a self-supporting church of seventy-eight resident members, a strong and active Christian Endeavor Society, a vigorous Sunday-school of more than two hundred members. Many of the pupils have already been brought into the Christian life. You will also see a Congregational Academy,—this would not have been possible except for the church,—which is doing good work for the young people of the town and surrounding country. These are some of the results of our work that fair September day.

Home Missionary money sent to the front is not money thrown away, and work done there is not labor lost. He that says "Blessed are they that sow beside all waters" will surely give the harvest.

Mr. Bross had also the care of the churches in the Black Hills and Northern Wyoming. The towns in the Hills are widely separated, so the trips were long and tedious.

One summer Mr. Bross planned to visit all the churches on one trip. Taking a strong team of horses, venerable and steady, a covered wagon—somewhat like an emigrant wagon, we left home for a four weeks' trip. It was a great exercise of ingenuity to pack that wagon every morning. In the back part the canvas tent and the blankets were piled to the top and fastened in place; then a box of clothing; then came the second seat underneath which were stored the coffee pot, tin pans, cooking utensils, etc. Under the front seat a box of provisions, the tin plates and cups; while the lariat ropes made a footstool for those who occupied the front seat, and a bag of tent pins performed the same office for me. A shot gun ornamented one side of the wagon, and the tent poles were lashed to the other, the camp stove was tied on behind, while underneath swung the lantern, oil can, and water pail. Up and down the mountains, through deep cañons, fording the streams, we went, pitching our tent every night in some delightful spot, and after cooking and eating our supper, we rolled ourselves in our blankets and lay down on the ground to sleep.

Buffalo Gap, where we spent our first Sabbath out, is situated just at

the edge of the foothills of that wonderful and interesting country, the Black Hills. The condition of things in the Hills is very similar to that described in Hosea, where the prophet says God has given the nation an abundance of rich things, but the more He has given the farther they have departed from Him. It is a land rich in gold, and silver, and beauty, but where Sabbath-breaking and all forms of wickedness abound. The mills and mines never shut down from one year's end to the other. The work at Buffalo Gap was begun as in the other towns mentioned, and has been successful.

Part of the following week we spent at Hot Springs looking over the ground with reference to future work: then on to Custer, the way taking us through delightful mountain scenery. Custer is the gem of the mountains, beautiful for situation, near the tin mines. A little church is already at work, but they have no pastor. Two services and the Sunday-school are held.

We leave early in the week, taking the mountain road for Deadwood, stopping at Harney Peak, the highest of the Black Hills range, 8,000 feet above the sea, at Spread Eagle Mine on Lookout Mountain, where we go into the mill and down into the mire. At Lead City the location of the "Home Stake" mines, the largest in the Hills, we spend the Sabbath having an evening service and Sunday-school, as it is impossible to gather a congregation for morning service.

At Deadwood, our next point, you may hear Deacon Cushman tell how the work was started there. The first service was held in a carpenter shop, the shavings having been swept aside to make room for the people. The work was carried on by Superintendent Pickett, who used to travel on foot, on horseback, and by stage-coach back and forth over these hills. Now you find here a substantial church building, a neat parsonage, and a church which has the honor of being the first of any denomination to come to self support in all that region. This testifies to the hard work done in that town so far away, and of which so much was said in newspapers and magazines not many years ago.

We go over the old stage-coach road to Sturgis, Fort Mead, Rapid City, Smithwick, all points of interest, and reach home after a four weeks' absence, during which we have been sleeping on the ground, traveling over the mountains, planning for the churches, trying to tell the love of Christ, learning something of the needs of the different fields, and how best to help them.

We are glad to be at home again and sleep in a bed, without being obliged to run the hand under and pick out the stones, or somewhat nervous lest a rattlesnake may be lurking under the cover.

I might tell you of trips into Wyoming when everything was new. No depots, and from the train where stations were to be, one landed right

into the sand and cactus ; of nights passed in tents where the music from the dance house of Long Jim, or another of his kind, rang in your ears through all the night hours ; or, of nights in a rough frame building dignified by the name of " hotel," with fifty beds or more in one room, and the one we occupied separated from the others only by a calico curtain ; where one could hear the gamblers stumbling up the rickety stairs at all hours of the night, and the pistol-shots in the street below. These things, you readily perceive, helped to keep one in a peaceful frame of mind, conducive to sleep.

But let me add this testimony : The pleasant and happy experiences have far overbalanced the trying and disagreeable ones ; we have never had one regret that our work for the Master was at the front.

NOTES.

BY MRS. FLORA K. REGAL, OBERLIN, OHIO.

THE Woman's Meeting of the American Home Missionary Society has passed from glad anticipation to a happy memory. Every detail of the occasion was so carefully planned that there was " no haste, no waste." Promptly at the appointed hour, the platform was filled by officers of the State Unions, other delegates, and the speakers of the day, and the pews and galleries by an expectant audience.

After words of encouragement concerning the growth of woman's work for Home Missions, a description of the Model State Union was read, which set forth a society of ideal excellence by no means unattainable. This paper is printed and should be placed at once within the reach of all the officers of the forty-three States organized into Unions. Its suggestions acted upon would sweep away the mists that darken so many minds, and kindle a helpful warmth in many a heart unaware of its own coldness.

Mrs. Bross, of Nebraska, said that in trying to select some thrilling experiences from her pioneer labors as a Home Missionary's wife none seemed to stand out with especial prominence. In a very simple but exceedingly impressive manner she sketched the difficulties and discouragements of their early work in Nebraska, and later in Wyoming and the Black Hills.

Mrs. Ficke, wife of Rev. Herman Ficke, pictured their first efforts to establish a German church in Dubuque, where Germans and Americans were alike indifferent to their success—where was a rude church with broken windows, no benches, no books, not even a Bible—the building perched upon a crumbling hillside, requiring fifty-two steps to reach the front door, and a debt of \$1,300 over all. After a full announcement in the pa-

pers, at their first meeting there were five hearers. But she said German patience now had its reward in a large church, the largest Sunday-school in the city, and flourishing missionary societies.

Mrs. Joseph Ward, of South Dakota, gave us a vivid picture of her new field. The desolation of widowhood was plainly hers and, to those who knew how great a loss she had suffered, gave added emphasis to her impressive words.

A Thank-offering service had been prepared by Mrs. Caswell for the occasion. Its theme was the duty, the joy and the rewards of sacrifice. It was in the form of question and response, the questions being read by Mrs. Regal, of Ohio, the answers by the great congregation standing. It was introduced as the only service in which every one present could have part, and was participated in with great heartiness. Immediately following this, was a collection for the missionary work of Mrs. Ward at Lesterville, South Dakota. While six little girls in white passed the collection boxes Superintendent Wiard came upon the platform and said: "Mrs. Ward has told you something about her work but very little about herself. She has not told you of rough men who, resisting every other influence said, 'If this true woman thinks enough of us to come to us with such a message we will heed it.' She has said nothing about baptizing such converts and administering to her people the communion when there was no other one to discharge these duties; and she has said nothing of burials where but for her there would have been no one even to offer prayer for the bereaved ones. The audience were deeply moved and attested their approval of Mrs. Ward's mission by a gift of \$335.

Mrs. Caswell read a message from Mrs. Moses Smith expressing hearty sympathy and cordial co-operation with the Woman's Unions. We could with sincerity echo her closing words: "My soul is stirred within me because the churches do not rise up and say 'We will see to it that the Gospel is preached in every hamlet of our land.'"

Miss Selma Johnson, a Swede of Minneapolis, gave an interesting account of her work as Bible-reader among the Swedes of that city. She is able to reach hundreds of Swedish families who must be helped, if at all, in their native language. Her work is already bearing good fruit.

Rev. James Hayes, the converted coal miner of Coal Bluff, Ind., desired a small gift to enable him to establish a reading room where the miners of his mission, 2,000 in number, might spend their evening; profitably and be drawn away from the saloons. Mr. Puddefoot indorsed the work of Mr. Hayes most emphatically. He said he worked among a set of such desperate characters that often his life was in danger—that his wife said she never knew when he left the house whether he would

come home alive. Mr. Puddefoot said that about a ton of literature had been contributed and it must have a place where it could be kept and used.

This was a meeting whose value can never be estimated. Its uplifting power must reach out in ever-widening circles to the utmost borders of our land. The least that can be done by those whose inestimable privilege it was to attend it, is to "go tell" to others how heroic life can become when dominated by the spirit of the Master.

GERMAN WORK.

BY MRS. HERMAN FICKE, DUBUQUE, IA.

I HAVE been asked to here give some account of the beginning of the German work in Dubuque, "some personal experience, if possible." The beginning, September, 1868, gave no promise of success. With one or two exceptions, no one cared anything for the work. Americans and Germans were equally indifferent. There was the shell of a church building; no seats, no books, not even a Bible; broken windows, and wood-work that had never been painted. This building had been erected upon a crumbling hillside; it required fifty two steps to reach the front door. A debt of over \$1,300 threatened. There was no Sunday-school; and the first Sunday, after announcement in the papers, there were five hearers.

For years, only the poor, and often times the very ignorant, were reached, but German patience can accomplish much. The present pastor has fully proved "the Christian is one who can wait"; only God and those laboring knew there was a gain. Said a brother minister when the work began, "You may stay until next fall, certainly not longer." How often has it been said, "You never can gain a foothold," "Your work is in vain." Discouragement came too from American friends, who were kindly disposed, but who did not see the need of a German work *anywhere*, much less in a city where were German churches of several denominations, and it was said, "Give it up. Preach English, and you can have a field where your work will be appreciated." But almost from the first there was a spiritual encouragement of which the world had no knowledge. Souls were led to Christ, helpers were found who, for the love they bore their pastor, were willing to aid in many ways; and always there was gain, sometimes slight indeed, but a gain. That this might not be lost, and that the few faithful ones might not be saddened, the many trials were borne, and after long waiting our cry of "How long, oh Lord," was heard, and to-day we can truly rejoice in a successful work wholly German.

By patient and long-continued effort this German pastor has gathered the largest Sunday-school in a city where are rich and influential American churches. Sunday after Sunday large and intelligent audiences assemble to sing the grand hymns of the Reformation and listen to sermon and prayer in the language of Luther. Also connected with this church are two flourishing young people's societies, a woman's society that in the past ten years has raised thousands of dollars to advance its interests, and now has under its care an industrial school in addition to its usual work, where young girls are taught all kinds of womanly handiwork. The respect of the community has been gained. It was laughingly said recently by an American friend, "Those Mr. Ficke does not bury he marries." It was also said by the superintendent of our cemetery, "No Protestant minister in Dubuque attends so many funerals as Mr. Ficke." A great number of the latter, however, are Americans and the English language is used.

In the early years of this work a young girl, whose father was an educated and wealthy man, came occasionally to our Sunday-school. She had been thoroughly trained in German, had a gift for teaching, and, loving little children, enjoyed our school. We invited her to our home, gained her love and a lasting friendship. The years passed, the mother died, and she became the head of her father's house. A brother was stricken with quick consumption; he knew of his sister's regard for my husband, and expressed the wish that he be asked to come to him. The father ridiculed the idea, saying, "You need a doctor, not a minister." But he persisted in his wish, and to him the messenger went. He accepted Christ as his Savior, and died rejoicing. The father's respect and regard were won, and the formerly despised German minister was welcomed as an equal in his home. The faithful daughter had hope that her father too, might be gained, and well I remember with what joy she spoke of infidel books neglected, and of papers that had once given pleasure, being unopened. But alas! death came suddenly, and though the strong man called upon his Maker, he died making no sign of repentance. The daughter now became administratrix of a very large estate, which was left without a will to herself and a younger brother. About this time our work had so grown that a new church was a necessity, and her generous help added much to our resources. A beautiful window which glorifies our audience room was wholly her gift, and stands as a monument to her memory, for less than a year ago she too passed away. When her last hours came her mind wandered, but the voice of her pastor never failed to soothe as he repeated Psalm after Psalm and glorious words of Scripture that he knew she loved, in the grand German tongue which, from her youth, she had loved more truly than the speech of her native land.

After the father's death, when the question of a school for the

brother arose, his guardian urged the State University, of Iowa, but, my husband's advice was followed and he entered Phillip's Academy, Andover, where he is now preparing for Yale, and is an active Christian, being secretary of the Society of Inquiry connected with that institution.

Some years ago a German of refinement and much culture, a studious and thoughtful man, in health denied the existence of God. Months of illness came, weary days and sleepless nights when only thought was possible. He became convinced of his error, and was at last sure there was a God, but how was he revealed to man? Among his many books was no Bible, and his friends, physician and all, were as he had been. Socially he knew my husband, and respected him as an educated German. He asked his friends, "Do you think Mr. Ficke would come to me?" How gladly the summons was obeyed only one can know, whose joy it is to preach Christ. Delightful days followed. The sick man listened with such eagerness that his attendants were alarmed; but he insisted upon more, more. When rest was necessary he said, "Must you go? Come soon again." His great desire was, though unworthy, to acknowledge to the world his new-found faith, to partake of the bread and wine before loving and weeping friends, none of whom were Christians. Soon, filled with infinite peace, he fell asleep. Said a near relative, one who, alas! had no faith, "Arnold was a good man. I know he would not have professed a faith that was not his." At this funeral were gathered many of the cultured Germans of Dubuque, and I never heard my husband preach Christ more simply or with greater power than when he stood beside the mortal remains of their friend and his brother in Christ. Many wept as the story was told of the last hours so full of peace, and of his happy death. We know, too, that an influence was there gained which can be measured only when the great account is made plain.

These and many similar instances come thronging to mind when we review the past, now extending over twenty-two years, and, though of much no record will ever be made, the firm belief that there is One who seeth all, has strengthened and sustained when earthly fellowship has been withheld.

If American churches need a cultured ministry, the need of able leaders to instruct and edify in our German churches is equally great, for to the German all is new, polity, manner of giving, and active participation in church. If Americans sometimes find it hard to harmonize discordant elements, how much harder is the task of the German minister, whose flock has come anywhere from the foot of the Alps to the North Sea, or from the borders of Russia to France. The German, too, has been used to an educated ministry, and though he may have little learning himself, does not respect an ignorant pastor, so if all classes are to be reached we must have a thoroughly trained ministry. To obtain this the German work

must look to our American churches for aid. When more prayers are offered and more men of influence become interested the denomination will awake, and the coming forty years of German Congregationalism will show a growing and prosperous work instead of the sad record of the past, so full of failure.

The German Department of Chicago Seminary is greatly in need of help. Our academy at Crete should be endowed. Just now it needs \$500 for running expenses; our seventy-nine German churches are poor, but few are self-supporting. Independence of a German church means a salary to its minister of \$300 or \$400, never more than \$700; so if Crete is to be endowed we must look to friends of our work who have awakened to the mighty influence the large German immigration will have in our land, and who realize that if the German youths are to be saved for Christ, the Gospel must be given to the parents in the language of the Fatherland. The Anarchist club, Turn-verein, and open saloons have not been idle, and many families have been ruined that might have been a blessing to our country. If the great mass of English-speaking people in our cities are not reached by American churches, how can it be expected that the German, who does not understand our ways or speak our language, can be influenced in any way by these churches? As long as the great flood of immigration continues there is no question in regard to the necessity of German churches. If we do not embrace the opportunity thus presented for advancing the kingdom of our Lord, others will reap the blessing and the gain, for other denominations have aroused themselves to this work, and money and men are being furnished. But 'tis not *money* alone we need. In the Methodist Church prominent men have studied German and have, with Christian love and fellowship, identified themselves with the German work. It was Bishop Simpson's habit to attend their conferences and take part in German. Oh, that his example might be followed by many among us and that we learn to recognize our German citizen as a brother, forgetting that he is an alien.

THE TIDINGS PUBLISHED.

BY MRS. JOSEPH WARD, YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA.

THERE is a little town, seventeen miles from Yankton, called Lesterville. Now Lesterville is a wicked town, and the Superintendent of Home Missions looked upon this place as one in great need of the Gospel. But Lesterville did not want the Gospel any more than the Fiji Islanders wanted it; but the Fiji Islanders are evangelized to-day. It cannot exactly be said that Lesterville devoured the missionaries first sent to them, but it is known that they were disposed of in the most summary

manner. And now another Home Missionary enters the field—a woman. Lesterville proves its sincerity in saying it did not want the Gospel, by refusing to offer any place where religious services can be held. As all know who are at all acquainted with our home missionary work, the little school-house is ever the foster mother of the infant home missionary church. But here not all the eloquence of our Superintendent of Home Missions, nor the fervid appeals of our Sunday-school missionary could prevail with that school board to open the school-house for religious services on Sunday; and so, what should be done in this unusual state of things? No house in town was large enough to welcome the congregation that might be gathered, out of curiosity, perhaps, to hear a woman “preach.”

But there was an extinct saloon, whose occupant, scared for a time by the passing of our State prohibitory law, had “shut up shop.” He was glad of any way of making money, and so opened his doors, and prepared the room for us. It was an ill-smelling, gloomy place, with stains all over the floor, and stains upon the wall, and, worst of all, a stain upon the heart and conscience of the man that owned it! He may have swept the room, but he could not sweep away the awful memories that clustered around the spot. There stood the bar, and the empty shelves behind it, that fancy immediately filled with rows of bottles with their mysterious labels, meaning, if interpreted rightly—eternal fire, burning agony, and death and destruction. Contiguous to the bar stood the immense ice-box, and over in another gloomy corner was a billiard-table! Assuredly—nothing, unless it might be the “dim religious light,” was appropriate to the worship of God in such a place as this. But it was the very best that could be obtained.

Amid surroundings such as these, began the gospel work in Lesterville. At our first service were gathered twenty boys and girls, and six stalwart men. Not one woman present to give the warm hand of encouragement and sympathy to the woman so strangely ordered to take up this peculiar work in Lesterville. Being told that there was a church organization in — the missionary naturally looked for help from this quarter, but the spiritual life of the church was all gone out of it. And the one deacon—said to be a young man of blameless life—spent *his* time dodging the missionary around street corners, and had purposed in his heart not to extend the helping hand. There was serious opposition from people who were Americans, and who had at one time professed their interest in the Christian religion by joining the church. The whole town was cursed with old feuds and quarrels, and this was one of the indications.

Congregations increased, however, and the women began to come, and the dear mothers with their babies. After a time, the chairs provided were

all filled, and the saloon-keeper's boy, with a crowd of other boys, all anxious to *do* something "for the lady," crossed over the street to the lumber-yard opposite and brought in boards to make out seats enough for the growing congregation. And all along the edge of the billiard-table in the corner sat people who seemed glad to listen to the Word.

Our Sunday-school was soon re-organized. Meantime, that saloon-keeper was watching his chance. He was a perfect tarantula of a saloon-keeper! After the first scare and bewilderment of the passage of the temperance law was over, he had looked around him and measured the strength of his old constituency, and finding his place become such a center of attraction, he opened again his dreadful saloon. We soon understood that after service every Sabbath night the gambling tables were spread out. The cards were shuffled and dealt once more, and strong drink flowed freely. Our evening services began to be interrupted by old toppers coming around rather early, to find not the gambling tables spread out as they expected, but the tables turned upon them and religious services in progress. The Church had done what Law had failed to accomplish, it kept that saloon *closed*, at least for a few hours.

But we did not want our boys and girls of the Sunday-school coming Sabbath after Sabbath to a place with such associations and surroundings, and so the question arose, "What shall we do?" It was very plain that the *first* thing to be done under such peculiar circumstances, was to erect a church building. We must *begin* with *that*, in order to reach the people and do the work laid upon us to do in Lesterville.

Meantime the station agent offered us the use of the waiting-room of the depot for Sabbath services, and a subscription paper was passed around among the citizens of the place—which has perhaps a population of three hundred—and \$200 was immediately subscribed, by Catholics and foreigners, as well as by Protestants and Americans—the most of it in material, such as sand and stone for the foundation, and in work: for the people have little ready money.

And now, with the help of friends outside, enough has been subscribed to warrant the going forward to build a church; and it has been a supreme pleasure for the missionary to be called upon to *drive the first stake* in the laying out of the foundation for the new church, and with her own hands she joyfully took out the first spadeful of earth toward the excavation for laying the stone.

That gloomy waiting-room in the depot has now many precious memories clinging about it. It is no more in our thought the dingy, common gathering place of week-day traffic and travel, but it stands out all glorified with the Presence, the very shining gateway of heaven—for here it is that precious souls have found out how the blessed Savior loves

them! Memory shall never allow that bright day to fade, when, gathered about our honored Superintendent of Missions, five fathers and mothers entered into covenant relations with God, and brought their precious little ones—eight in all, both babies and little children—to receive the ordinance of baptism. And how the sun shone on those golden heads that received the sacred rite, as if God's own smile rested upon them all!

Mr. and Mrs. Plumb, the station agent and his wife, as members of the church, are our chief supporters in the work. They have done every possible thing to make the depot clean, and pleasant, and inviting, for our meetings; and Mrs. Plumb, in beautiful thoughtfulness, never forgot to place upon the table, which served as pulpit, some lovely blossoming plant to preach its own little sermon of how God loves.

Once more we have moved,—this time into a little house of our own upon the lot which has been purchased for the church. And the first Sabbath we worshiped here was only a few weeks ago. Mr. Plumb has gone way beyond my own faith and surprised me, and rejoiced my heart by proposing that we now begin to hold a weekly prayer-meeting, and suggested that Wednesday night be appointed, a night when the missionary leader will *not* be present to assist. He also looks forward to the day when this little church building will be a blessing and help to a large number of the German speaking part of our population—a fine, intelligent class of people. The Saturday night service is also sustained as a Teachers' Meeting, where both teachers and scholars study the Sunday-school lesson—making a point also of practicing the hymns for the next day's service. This will attract numbers of our young people, for they like to sing.

For weeks after my first Sabbath work in December last, Saturday night seemed given up to a low dance in one of the saloons, where our young girls and the young men would congregate. And these gatherings usually ended up in a fight, for beer, of course, flowed freely.

One's sympathies are particularly drawn out toward the *women*, who have to endure the hardships and privations of pioneer life. About twelve years ago a family consisting of a father, mother, and three children, came and took up land within three miles of Lesterville. Their first house was a dug-out. They broke the ground and planted their crops. After awhile they got above ground and lived in a little shack. Then the grasshoppers came and ate up their crops for consecutive years until they were terribly reduced. As the woman said in telling me the story, "My husband hadn't a decent pair of pants to his name, and the children were in rags, and I, myself, had only one old calico dress I could wear." The husband and father was a master mechanic before he became a farmer, and so he took up his old trade again in order to support the family. Then the wife put on her one dress and drove the seventeen dreary miles to Yankton—their nearest point for supplies—to buy her husband a pair

of pants that he might go to his work. And now she was left alone with her little ones on the prairie—no neighbors except the Russians, who lived more like beasts than humans. Obligated to stop, storm-stayed, at one of these Russian houses in one of her trips across the prairies, she thus described the interior, which disclosed a heterogeneous mixture of inconceivable things: "In one corner of the only room was tied a calf; over in another corner upon a feather-bed lay a litter of young pigs; and down in a dry-goods box upon the floor lay a wee, small baby, in rags and dirt. In the basin, which was brought for the morning ablutions, was stirred up, without cleansing, the cakes for breakfast; and to them were added coffee, and a greasy conglomerate mixture from the stove."

How lonely this woman! Possessing nothing to keep house with, she had little housekeeping to do. She was driven, in her desolation, to make companionship with the tall weeds in her garden. By night, while the babes were sleeping, there was the long procession of the never-failing stars to keep her company. And the Lord, over all that, stole into the heart that reached after him, made peace there in spite of the conflict of memories within and the desolation without.

How should she educate those children? Would she ever go to church again? Would her children ever be taught in the Sunday-school, which now she had time to remember was an essential part of her early training. From time to time her husband came home bringing something to help stock the farm once more. Once it was ten ducks, and she began to feel prosperous. Then two calves were added, and oh, *how rich* she began to feel! Then the calves, nicely growing, had to be sold for seed wheat; and then further on the grasshoppers came again and ate up the crop just as they were ready to harvest it.

Thus they struggled along. They had tried to do something toward getting a minister to come and a church established. But there was nothing but failure. As might be imagined, there was very little going on to take up the time and mind in such a state of affairs, so that, when somehow the story got about that there were going to be what the people called "some kind er 'doins'" in the little town of Lesterville on a Fourth of July, or on some such great festival of the American year, she said to her husband, "We'll drive over and see what there can be to enjoy in a town like this!" So over they went to find that the principal part of the "doins" was a supper or dinner, and a dance at the very saloon where we have since been holding services. They looked on to see a crowd of women, mostly foreigners, in whose family there always seems to be a baby—throw their babies into the corners, and give themselves up to the dance and great hilarity. Strong drink flowed freely, and women, as well as men, were beastly drunk and carousing until a late hour into the night. As not one mother was able to tell which was her own baby they took them as they came and went off home as best they could.

No wonder that this woman, with all her experience of hardship and trial, welcomes the church services and gladly brings her children to the Sunday-school. No wonder that she exclaims, "We are going to have a church building this time anyway!" Her husband had promised as his part to furnish all the stone and build the foundation himself. As she spoke of ways in which the women could help, she added, "We are going to have a *steeple* to that church too! and what is more we are going to have a *steeple* with a *bell* in it"; and then she alluded pathetically to the time when a little girl in an Eastern home she had sung thoughtlessly in the Sunday-school that little song printed years ago,

"Far out upon the prairie how many children dwell,
Who never heard of Jesus, nor sweet-toned Sabbath bell,"

and, said she, "I never thought then that I should be coming to any such experience as that!" The district school has not been the helper it should have been in the training of her children. She told only the other day how she had to take her boys out of school because so many of the children brought beer to drink with their lunch. This woman has done the best that she could for her seven children and they are a credit to her. Her eldest boy is now twenty-one. There has been a Grand Army reunion in Yankton quite recently, and as this woman's husband was an "old soldier" and fought through the War, she was invited to attend the affair with her husband. She brought her youngest—a noble baby boy, who is always ready to "take part" cheerfully and audibly in church services at Lesterville. As this mother noticed the young men,—students of Yankton College that happened to be in this family, fine appearing, manly fellows, the tears rolled down her face as she said, "Oh, that my George might have had the chance of an education like these young men! But George is a good boy, he's never given me a bit of trouble; he has no bad habits. I always kept him from the saloon. George is a quiet boy, he never did care for 'goings on,' and I always kept him at home and from bad company. He'll make a good farmer, anyhow." Then and there I determined that, if possible, her young girls—seventeen and fifteen—should go to Yankton College and have around them all those refining and helpful influences that surround any college, even though they had to begin at once a sub-preparatory department. One of them has already entered this term, and, with the help of a friend, will be able to go for one term. There is a large class of bright young people growing up upon the prairies of South Dakota, to whom a scholarship in Yankton College would be a great boon. We are finding them all the time, and when they come to us, they are put in the way of earning their board if they are physically able to work, so that a scholarship (\$30) carries a student through one year of study.

FROM A NATIVE SWEDE.

MISS SELMA JOHNSON, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

I AM a missionary among my people in Minneapolis. My work has been to visit the poor and discouraged people, to bring to them the Gospel, and to help in any way that might be possible. There are families that the churches cannot reach. We have a number of large Scandinavian churches in Minneapolis. The American churches cannot reach these people. It needs some one to go to their homes, find out how they live, and what can be done to help them.

In connection with the Congregational churches I have had the privilege to work in this city for seven years. In this time I have seen much to tell, about many who can not for family cares go to church. They have been used to attend church at home, now they feel lonely and forsaken in this country. I can tell about many who through drink and sin do not care to go to church. I will relate some incidents of these cases.

One of these mothers with four little children said to me, "Teacher, you have done me much good by telling me of Jesus, and reading his word to us. I cannot go to church but once in a great while. I have been so happy when you have come."

Another family where the husband drank. Had been a drunkard for many years; is a good workman, can earn from \$18 to \$25 a week, but would not work; would sell his wife's things for drink. She has had to earn the living by going out to do some washing. Sometimes she could not go, and they were ready to starve. This winter I have been working with him for hours at a time to try to make him ashamed and sorry for his sins. Finally, after talking and praying with him and his wife one day for two hours, he promised me he would not drink. I have heard since coming East, that he was doing better than ever for his family and does not drink.

More than a year ago I found a mother whose husband had left her with a baby twenty days old, and three children besides to take care of. Her husband did not write to her for months at a time, and did not send her any money.

After some months the baby was taken sick, and the mother too. We took them both to the hospital, and the three boys to the Orphan Home. One day at the hospital she said to me, "Will you please write to my husband, tell him I am sick, and need some money?" I did write, begged him in the letter to be a man, a father to his children and a kind husband to his wife, assuring him that he could be all this by trusting in Jesus. I very soon received a letter with money, saying he would try to do better. His wife got well, and one day, in a neat little home with all the children around her. I found a number of men: one of them was in

troduced as her husband. After a little, some of the men invited him to come out and have some beer. The answer was, "No, I thank you, I have not drank a drop for four months; I am much better without it."

I have for the last year been working in five districts and have been able to reach about two hundred families. In each of these fields the same number might be reached and much better taken care of and the worker last longer and do better work. In the work among the children I have seen much to rejoice over in what they can be and do. A little girl, seven years of age, thoughtfully said to her mother one day, "Why won't you be a real Christian, mamma?" The mother's answer was, "Anna, do you believe there are any Christians?" "Oh, yes, Miss Johnson is one, and she tells us how easy it is to be a Christian and God loves us." A few weeks after that conversation, that little girl and three younger sisters were taken home to heaven in two weeks' time. Do you think that mother will become a real Christian some day? I do.

Down on the River Ground, people build themselves little shanties to live in, and pay one dollar a month for rent of the ground. We did six years ago organize a little mission band for the children and a few mothers. In that time we have raised \$61 for Home and Foreign Missions, and sent the money through the State Treasurer. With happy little hearts the children have brought the pennies and learned about the need of mission work.

If I had time I could tell you how families who years ago were drunkards—some kept saloons—are now Bible Christians and members of churches; how girls who have been redeemed from a life of sin have homes of their own, and are saved, and helping to save others. Will you pray for the Scandinavian people in your own America?



STORY OF THE COAL MINE MISSION.

BY REV. JAMES HAYES, COAL BUFF, INDIANA.

ABOUT three years ago, when I began work among the coal miners in Indiana, there were whole towns along the railroads, around the shafts of miners and their families, destitute of the Gospel. No church, no Sunday-school, and, worst of all, no place to hold any religious service in. As a natural consequence, the people were deplorably depraved and sunk in sin. It was worth a man's life to enter this uninviting field; but there the finger of God pointed, and by his help we were determined to plant the temple of our divine Master there, and try, if possible, to raise this people with their little ones, to a higher, a nobler, and a better life. It seemed from the very beginning the Lord was in the work, and many of its developments are wondrous in our eyes.

My field represents about 2,000 coal miners. There are about 8,000 in the State. The families of the coal miners average about five to the family. These miners are generally foreigners. They come to us from England, Scotland, Wales, Germany, France, and Prussia. We have Austrians and Norwegians, Swedes and Italians. They come here with all their prejudice and sin. They are tired of a despotic government, and are desirous of a broader life for themselves and their children. Some of the miners are intelligent, and read and love their Bibles. Their children are smart and great readers. In the homeland they were perhaps members of the church and their children went to Sunday-school, but in this country they settle in towns where there is no church or Sunday-school, hence they become discouraged and dwarfed in their lives.

My first meeting at Coal Bluff was held in the frame of an old school-house; some of the sashes of the windows were gone. We had no need to close the door, for the boys could walk through it. Our benches were planks, six by two, with no backs, nailed to blocks of wood. A few persons came together at night, and would sit in the farthest corner of the building, afraid of the preacher, afraid of each other, and as soon as the benediction was pronounced, would run away to their cabins to talk over the service of the evening. The miners have told me since that they used to like to hear me talk, but they concluded I was no preacher because I didn't take off my coat and get mad! Here we organized a little band of men and women who covenanted to walk together as brethren and sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ.

About this time the frame of the old building was sold, and we had to move into the upper room of an unfinished store-room, where we organized our Sunday-school, and laid our plans to build a house for the Lord, and an humble parsonage for the pastor and his family to live in. The lot was selected with great care, whereon to locate these two buildings. At the first meeting of the trustees and the pastor, five dollars from each was paid down toward the lot. The next day we raised the balance among the miners and bought the best lot in the town for thirty dollars. A personal canvass in the mines brought in dimes and quarters from the miners to the amount of \$110. The Sunday-schools and ladies of the State sent their offerings. Friends in the East heard of our need through *The Home Missionary*, and poured their sacred gifts with their prayers into the work. Then came the A. C. U. to our aid, set our feet upon the good foundation and established our goings.

And now we turned our face toward Perth—another coal-mining town—which from its beginning had been pre-empted by the liquor saloon, and which had gathered around it all the bad blood of the neighborhood. For a while we worshiped over a saloon and held our Sunday-school there;

but after a little the saloon-keeper rented our part of the building also and locked us out because we interfered with his business.

But the Lord heard our prayer, and two sisters, whose memories are precious, gave us \$650, and we put up a pretty little church building in that town. One of these sisters corresponded with me every two or three weeks, encouraging me in the work. The building was dedicated the last Sabbath in November. Most of the furniture was paid for by the friends of this noble work, and the Sunday-schools of the East. A series of gospel and temperance meetings was held there for six weeks. Men and women cried for mercy, and how glad I was to tell the sisters the good news! But soon after my friend sickened, and tidings came to our home that our Heavenly Father had called her to Him. But away out in Indiana, in the dark town of Perth, stands her noble monument, which is guiding the boys and the girls, the miners and their wives, to a nobler, a brighter and better life. In the meantime we stretched out our hands and added the Cardonia Church to our mission—another coal-miners' church.

What have we now in this mission? We have three churches and four Sunday-schools; we have nearly one hundred members; more than four hundred Sunday-school scholars; church and parsonage property worth more than \$4,500. We have large congregations; if we had the men and the means, we could take all the coal-mining towns in Indiana for Jesus.

Perhaps you would like a side glimpse of the condition of these people, and the difficulties your missionary has had to pass through while doing his humble work for the Master. Other men have tried to reach these people, but have failed, not because they lacked zeal and sincerity, but because there was no American Home Missionary Society behind them. They couldn't adapt themselves to the people and lift them up.

In all these towns, before we planted our churches, the saloon interest reigned supreme. The petty courts of justice, which were all manipulated by the saloon interest to settle drunken rows, used to grind every day of the week and often on the blessed Sabbath. Twelve months ago last Christmas eve, a Sunday-school in Brooklyn and other friends, sent some Christmas offerings for the Sunday-schools in the Coal Mine Mission. I was very busy arranging my plans so as to visit them all, and see that the gifts went to the most deserving little ones. As I went to the depot to send off the box for the Christmas-tree at Perth, an officer of the law stepped up and arrested me for contempt of court! A few boys had some little difficulty around one of the little churches one night, but had already talked the matter over with me and agreed to behave for the future and we were desirous to let the matter drop. Because he defended these boys your missionary was marched through the town before the

saloons between two officers, two miles to Fontanet, to appear before a drunken Justice of the Peace to answer why he had treated their court with such contempt. Bonds were given to appear after the holidays. In the meantime the proper officer of the county demanded that the disgraceful proceeding be taken from the docket.

One Sunday night, a poor, misguided man fired twice through our new church in Perth right over the platform. I picked up the bullets and hold them in my possession as relics of barbarism in Perth.

It used to be a very common thing, and is still, as you enter these new towns, to be insulted on the street, or to have the meeting disturbed by these unfortunate men. One Sunday morning as I was preaching in Roseville a drunken brawl took place, and a colored man was shot down close to the place where I was holding divine service. When I must be at Coal Bluff I often ask one of the brethren to go to Perth to hold an evening service; but I never lie down to rest until I know the brother is safe at home. If I am at Perth and am expected home the young people of Coal Bluff come away up the railroad to meet me. I mention these things simply to show you how much the blessed Gospel is needed in my field. It still saves to the uttermost. It sheds sunshine and love into cold and dark hearts. I believe the Lord has a mighty work for us to do, and a glorious harvest to reap.

The foundation of this grand old Society was wisely laid and is admirably adapted to the needs of these destitute people. It has been my privilege within a short time to organize four Congregational churches, and apart from my own family, not a Congregationalist among them! In one of my churches there were nine denominations represented. In three years there has not been a jar of discord among them. The people are tired of sectarian strife—they want the Gospel of Christ; they want the living Bread. It has been our custom to build the little churches in the summer and hold a series of gospel and temperance meetings in the winter, and our Heavenly Father has given the blessing. Last winter we held meetings in all these towns. The entire region was moved for miles. The churches were literally packed long before the time to commence the service. Hundreds signed the temperance pledge and tied on the blue ribbon. Hundreds asked an interest in our prayers: strong men and women cried for mercy. The congregation would sit until I had to tell them to go home.

My head is full of plans for this work. I want a reading-room for the boys at Coal Bluff. It can be added to the church, and used for temperance and social meetings for the young people. When the mines are idle the boys have nowhere to go but to the saloons, and just now we have had to suspend our little temperance meetings because we can't pay the

rent. An old miner who is trying to live a clean life, said to me only last week,

"It's a bad job, Mr. Hayes, to let that meeting go down. It used to help to keep a lot of us straight."

Then there's Fontanet, a town of more than 700 souls, only two miles west of Coal Bluff; only a little Catholic chapel there; no Sunday-school, no church, and there will be none until we build it. There are fine young people there. They have said to me many times, "All we want is a leader. We'll work!" The congregation at Fontanet are among the most intelligent in the Coal Mine Mission.

Then there's Slab Town, where I stayed a week preaching, and where I organized a Sunday-school. Here live 150 miners' families in an isolated condition,—no church for them; children growing up and going to seed in sin.

Farther on is Cannelsbury, 400 souls. The men and women and the little ones die; they are laid away in the grave without a prayer; no missionary to point the sorrowing ones to Jesus, the sinner's friend.

A strange feature of my field is the miners' work beneath the ground, away from God's sun and this lovely world; away from the birds and the flowers. It tends to make him isolated and lonely in his life. The farmer will not associate with him, and the miner in turn keeps to himself.

We are trying to develop the social life. Almost every Saturday evening—the miner's pay day—we try to have something going on at one of the churches, such as recitations, readings, and songs. Sometimes we have a social, an oyster supper, or anything in season. The idea is two-fold: we charge a small admission fee, to use in our church work; and we thus keep the miners away from the saloon, spending a pleasant evening with their families in the church. This is oftentimes very successful. We try to educate them to be manly, independent, aggressive, and to despise the spirit of pauperism.

I have often been asked, "How much do these people help themselves?" It is a proper question to ask. Does it pay to invest in this Coal Mine Mission work, when the money invested would soon bring some other churches to self-support? All I can say is, for us to refuse to do the work is to leave it undone. Let us take a glimpse of the last year's work on this field. From May 1, 1890, to April, 30, 1891, collected and paid for church improvements, old debts, incidental expenses, and pastor's salary, \$352; for A. H. M. S., \$24.96; W. B. M. L., \$9; A. C. U., \$53.65; evangelistic work during the winter, \$52; total, \$481.61.

The Gospel of Him who had not where to lay His head, is what these people need. The harmony, peace, and good will among the people, are all the outgrowth of following Him, who, while in this world, went about doing good.

BY THE WAY.

MRS. A. H. PEARSON, of Northfield, Minnesota, who was invited to act as Scribe at the Woman's Meeting of the American Home Missionary Society, is the wife of Prof. Pearson, of Carleton College.

IN his address, "A Year of Growth," Secretary Kincaid gives recognition to woman's work as follows:

"The offerings of the Woman's Homeland Unions this year to the Six National Societies amount to \$86,059, an increase over last year of \$16,506. Of this sum this Society received \$41,553, a gain of \$5,975 over last year. There are now thirty-six Unions, including forty-three States and Territories. Only eight more to conquer! Utah came in week before last. Under these figures there lurks a fervor of zeal that only those who are called upon from time to time to 'help those women' understand. The liveliest part of American Home Missions to day is the American woman. A feature of the year has been the successive journeys of Mrs. Caswell, the Secretary of the Department, to visit the various Unions and 'see how they do.' A consecrated head planned those journeys; a beneficent hand furnished the means. That head God has crowned; that hand the angels have clasped. Mrs. Walter Baker lives in the hearts of her sisters and of the poor.

"THE CLOSING DECADE" was the subject of Secretary Clark's paper, in which he said, "The women of our churches have risen in a mass for Home Missions. Their annual meetings are a central feature of the State Associations, and their united contributions have added \$139,000 to the resources of the National Treasury.

WHEN it became known that there was to be a "Thank-offering Service" in connection with the Woman's Meeting on Wednesday afternoon, thirty dollars came to Mrs. Caswell from those who could not be present, but who wished to be represented at this service. She also received—but too late for the service—a thank-offering, in the form of a French coin, about the size of our silver dollar, dated 1762. A wreath and crown in the center is surrounded by these words: "SIT NOMEN DOMINI BENEDICTUM." On the other side a head, surrounded by the following: "LUD. XV. D. G. FR. ET NAV. REX." With the coin came this message: "A Massachusetts lady heard at a missionary meeting this week the story of Martin Luther's challenge to a silver St. Joachim medal that had lain a long time idle in his possession, 'What doest thou here, Joachim?' and he sent it out into the world doing good. So the good lady brings this ancient coin to be sent out for the same purpose. Whatever it may bring will be her thank-offering to the Lord."

We suggest that Massachusetts women make this curious old coin a nest-egg for a HOME MISSIONARY SALARY. Why not—for the French Work?

MRS. HENRY WILCOX and her band of young ladies rendered most efficient service at the Wednesday afternoon meeting. All hearts were touched when this group of young girls stood before the pulpit with the offerings which they had collected from the audience—\$335 for Mrs. Ward's work in South Dakota—and with bowed heads waited there until Superintendent Wiard asked the divine blessing upon the offering, and upon the earnest woman through whom it is to be used in divine service.

A MESSAGE FROM MRS. MOSES SMITH.—In reply to an invitation to attend the annual meeting of the Woman's Department of the A. H. M. S., and pre-

sent greetings from the Woman's Board of the Interior, Mrs. Moses Smith, President of that Board, sent the following message:

"It would give me great pleasure to attend one of your grand meetings. It would be a rest and an inspiration in my own line of work. The home missionary work is near and dear to all our hearts—a work, than which none can be more important or imperative. My soul gets stirred within me because the churches do not rise up and say, 'We will see to it that the Gospel is preached in every hamlet of our land.'"

A BOX of flowers from General Missionary Parker, of Oklahoma, arrived on Wednesday afternoon, during the Woman's Meeting. Hidden among the blossoms the following message was discovered: "We are hard at work. Hope soon to have a 'Gospel Wagon,' with a band of young men to sing and preach the Gospel in Oklahoma. We need one hundred dollars to start it in good shape. We have sixty-six on hand. We remember your meeting in our prayers."

THE following message of good cheer from the treasurer of the Colorado Union was received at the meeting: "Mrs. Pickett sends greeting, and wishes you to know that through the recent efforts of Mrs. Tichenor Bailey the Colorado and Wyoming Union are about to send you nearly \$200 for the A. B. M. S. debt."

REV. JAMES HAYES has received \$94 of the \$250 which he hopes to receive for the reading-room to be added to the church-building at Coal Bluff, for the miners under his care. This reading-room will be a powerful agent in the gospel ministry at the Coal Mine Mission.

THE supper and social hour which was so admirably arranged by the ladies of the Congregational Church, was most gratefully appreciated by the guests, and was a very pleasant success.

A NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER.—At the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Unions, held in Saratoga June 2, it was voted that Wednesday of the Week of Prayer be observed as a National Day of Prayer for Missions. It is earnestly hoped that the women of the Congregational churches throughout the country will unite in the observance of this day, both in the quiet of their own homes and by assembling together for united prayer where it is possible.

A HOME MISSIONARY LIBRARY.—In her address, "How to Popularize Missionary Literature," Mrs. Merritt, of California, recommends a "Small Home Missionary Library," "which may be furnished by the benevolent to every Auxiliary in the land." In the same breath she mourns the dearth of material for such a library. Perhaps the demand will create a supply. We believe that there are at least twenty five readable books already at hand for such a library, published by the "Six H. M. Societies," and others. For instance: "Our Country," by Dr. Strong; "The Mormon Delusion," by Superintendent Montgomery; "The Pioneer Preacher," by President Fairchild; "Mary and I," by Dr. Stephen Riggs; "A Century of Dishonor," by Mrs. Hunt; "Ploughed Under," by Bright Eyes, etc. This list will suggest other volumes of equal interest.

AT the Saratoga meeting the home missionary literature was enriched by another work, fresh from the press of the Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society. "Service in the King's Guards," is the title, and it is

written "By two of them." This story embodies the pioneer experiences of a Home Missionary and his wife under commission of the A. H. M. S. In his "Introduction" to this book Dr. Walter Barrows says: "That the lives of so many of these faithful workers have been unwritten is doubtless due to the fact that they have been too busy in making history to stop to write it. Never before, to my knowledge, has such a full and graphic record as that contained in this volume been published."

The "Table of Contents" suggests the character of the book: The Call and the Journey, The Reception, Beginning Housekeeping, The Blizzard, The First Communion, The First Funeral, The School-house, First Meeting with the Indian Mission, The Parsonage, Frontier Life, Sitting Bull, A Tornado, Missionary Boxes, Missionary Raids, Revivals, Forty Miles and two Churches in one Day, A Mirage, Multiples.—*The price of this book is \$1.50.*

NEW LEAFLETS—101, Such as I Have, Miss Katherine MacNaughton; 102, Woman's Organizations and the Churches, Mrs. Joseph Ward; 103, One Cent, Mrs. F. C. Mixer; 104, The Roll-Call at a Missionary Meeting, Mrs. Phebe A. Crafts; 105, Young Women and Home Missions, Miss M. Fiske; 106, Aunt Polly's Endeavor, Mrs. A. W. Martin; 107, Grammar of Missions, "Kansas Telephone"; 108, Your Side, My Side, The Other Side, Mrs. W. F. Brunner; 109, How Shall we Interest the Uninterested, Mrs. C. L. Goodell; 110, She Heard—She Attended, Mrs. Phebe A. Crafts; 111, How Much Owest Thou? Rev. W. E. Park, D.D.; 112, Young Men and Home Missions, Rev. C. H. Richards, D.D.

We are also prepared to furnish the following "Concert Exercises," for Missionary Meetings, Sunday-schools, Mission Bands, etc: Our Land for Christ, Alice Eddy Curtis; To the Rescue, Rev. C. C. Otis; Giving the Gospel, Rev. C. A. Ruddock; The Homeland Field, Rev. Collins Burnham; The Star Chart, Mrs. F. L. Farnsworth; Missionary Methods and a Missionary Banquet, Mrs. Alice Hamilton Rich; The Boys' Star Meeting, Miss Mary C. E. Barden.

THE HOME MISSIONARY SCRAP BOOK is a collection of suggestive points, paragraphs, stories, missionary letters, and recitations, compiled to add variety to a Home Missionary Program.

THE Annual Report of the Society, and Secretaries' Papers, may also be obtained by application to the A. H. M. S., 34 Bible House.

THE Annual Report of the Woman's Department of the A. H. M. S. contains a wealth of suggestion to all homeland workers. The actual experience of one earnest woman in missionary work is worth more than all theories. The sketch of "The Model Union," as given at the Saratoga meeting, may be found in the opening pages of this Report.

EXTRA copies of the Thank-offering Service used at the annual meeting may be had for the use of Auxiliaries by application to the A. H. M. S., 34 Bible House, New York.

WE have also a few "Missionary Letters for Auxiliaries," which may be had upon application: 1, The Bohemians; 2, Bohemians in Chicago; 3, Germans—The First Pastor; 4, From German Workers; 5, The Germans; 6, The Germans—New Churches; 7, The Swedes; 8, From the Rocky Mountains; 9, From the Black Hills; 10, From the New West; 11, From Kansas; 12, From Missouri; 13, From Nebraska; 14, From Georgia.

At the business meeting of the Woman's Unions, on Tuesday, the following Committee was appointed to prepare a series of home mission studies for the next twelve months, to be published in "The Advance" and "The Congregationalist": Mrs. Kincaid, of New York; Mrs. Regal, of Ohio; Mrs. Van Pat-ten, of Vermont; Mrs. Merritt, of California; Miss Lord, of Massachusetts; Mrs. Taintor, of Illinois; Mrs. Brunner, of Indiana; Mrs. Barrows, of Florida; Mrs. Leavitt, of Nebraska; Mrs. Douglass, of Iowa; Mrs. De Forest, of Alabama, and Mrs. Benedict, of Missouri.

THE suggestive addresses by Mrs. J. G. Fraser, of Ohio, upon "Industrial Training," and Mrs. C. F. Yennie, of Pennsylvania, upon "Juvenile Missionary Work," will be published in a later issue of this magazine.

CHIPS FROM THE "CONGREGATIONALIST."

MRS. JOSEPH WARD, of South Dakota, was welcomed and honored for her own sake and for the sake of the hero whose name she bears.

WHILE the collection of the afternoon, which was spontaneously assigned to Mrs. Ward's little new church building, was being taken, Superintendent Wiard added a word, quoting what was said by a man converted from infidelity: "I didn't want religion, but when the wife of Joseph Ward came out here and interested herself in us, I could not resist that."

A NEW and interesting personage was modest Rev. James Hayes, of Indiana, who has done such noble work among the coal miners of that State for the last twelve years. He was born in Devonshire, Eng., and mined ore himself for many years in Pennsylvania and Indiana. He believes that the man who has worked as a miner all day underground, and who knows the hardships and privations incident to such a life, is best qualified to carry the Gospel to miners. And his success proves his theory correct.

CONSECRATION run into the ground was the judgment of one of the speakers upon a missionary who lives in a dugout.

THOSE who had the pleasure of hearing any of Rev. C. I. Scotfield's Bible-readings were impressed with his unusual power in interpreting Scripture.

A DELIGHTFUL "aside" from the program routine was the reception given Wednesday evening at the New England Church by that hospitable people. The limits of the auditorium forbade a general invitation, but everybody who could write "Rev." before his name was invited, with his wife, and all officers and delegates of the Unions; "And the rest," said Pastor Swift, in making the announcement, "have our hearty sympathy." A dainty collation was served. The post-prandial part of the ceremonies was ably attended to by Drs. H. A. Schauffler, G. M. Boynton, W. A. Duncan, and Arthur Little, and the guests went away with unlimited faith in the capacity of the New England Church to give its friends a good time. Some of those who found it a little difficult to discover the exact location of the church raised the query whether it would not pay to do a little missionary work near home, and help establish that brave and sturdy church enterprise in a commodious structure a little nearer the avenues where things happen.

EVERY century that has been good for anything has been woman's century.
—E. J. Ingersoll.

MILLIONAIRES, like wild animals, must be caught young in order to tame them.—*G. C. Adams.*

JESUS CHRIST doesn't mention the masses, but he worked for the individual man.—*G. C. Adams.*

WE have had no trouble to get preachers in South Dakota since we made a United States senator out of one of our ministers.—*H. D. Wiard.*

THE wickedness of the Southwest doesn't show up with all the vividness that it does in the Northwest, but still it is there. In the Northwest wickedness is imported; in the Southwest there is a natural growth. It is like a great, swift, but smooth flowing, river which is undermining the life of thousands to-day.—*Puddéfoot.*

VERMONT CRUMBS FROM THE SARATOGA FEAST.

BY MRS. EDWARD KIRKLAND, BELLOWS FALLS, VT.

[Our readers will enjoy the following account of the Tuesday afternoon meeting of the officers of the State Unions, at Saratoga, which was given at the annual meeting of the Vermont State Union in June, by the State delegate, Mrs. Edward Kirkland.]

IN assigning the subjects for this meeting, perhaps the committee thought "Crums from the Saratoga Feast," a little less dry than "Saratoga Chips!" The meetings, however, were anything but "dry," and to be perfectly candid, I think the women's meetings were just a little more interesting than those of the men.

It made one feel glad that she was a woman, and helped her to realize that there is no need to increase her privileges and duties, for woman is already a power in the world.

The annual gathering together of the Woman's State Unions was on Tuesday afternoon, and the meeting was arranged and presided over by Mrs. L. F. Berry, of Iowa.

The papers were by women from far and near; the first being by Mrs. Yennie, of Pennsylvania. The subject was "Juvenile Missionary Work." Her thoughts and suggestions may be summed up in the central thought, that the mission circle is the kindergarten of the church and no church should be without one.

A discussion of the question "How May Christian Women be Helped to see the Importance of Missions, and the Need and Duty of giving of their Abundance or their Poverty to sustain them," was opened by Mrs. Joseph Ward, of South Dakota. Mrs. Ward, is the widow of the late President Ward of whose work in connection with Yankton College we have read so much. She said she had supposed this question a native of South Dakota, and she hadn't imagined there was need of discussing it here where every one was so good. She thought we could work

along the old tried lines—distribute leaflets, urge attendance upon the great missionary gatherings, have missionary concerts, not like the old-fashioned ones in which one brother reported something from “Africky,” and another talked about the “Esquimox”—but meetings once a month in which live questions such as were in the magazines, should be discussed. The last method was “personal work.” We could all do that. Florence Nightingale said that she was only an example of what any common woman could be. The secret of her success was in what she said next, that she never refused God anything. Another beautiful thought brought out under this head of personal work was that the power lay not in the crested wave, but in the hidden undertow: so it was that quiet hidden work accomplishes great things.

Miss Emerson, of the American Missionary Association, emphasized the point of attendance upon the missionary gatherings. She gave an illustration of a lady who attended the meeting of the A. M. A. at Northampton, and who wrote back, “Forty years old was I, when I was sent to spy out the land.” Through this lady many others have been interested and much money has been brought into the treasury. There was another point which may be helpful to some of us, and that was that ladies outside the church will often give money for missions and be much interested in the cause.

At the close of this discussion was a paper by Mrs. Fraser, of Ohio, on the “Importance of Manual Training.” She said, “The striker does not really need more money but a knowledge of how wisely to use what he already possesses. The boy can enter a shop and learn a trade, but a girl has little opportunity to learn how to become a good home maker. . . . The women extend to us the hands of need, not of desire; the hope lies with the girls. In ten years, the rude, awkward, but often kind hearted mountain girls of the South will be living in other neglected hovels like those in which they are now reared; the ignorant, frivolous negro girls will help perpetuate the squalor and misery of the present years; the wild Indian girls and boys will be another generation of adult savages. The churches must help in this work of training the young.”

A paper by Mrs. Roper, of New Hampshire, followed, on “Young People and Home Missionary Work.” She impressed the fact upon us that if we are really interested in missions, we can enthuse the young people just as much as an enthusiastic naturalist can interest them in insects.

The last paper was written by Mrs. Merritt, of California. The subject was, “How can we Popularize Missionary Intelligence.” The methods mentioned were as follows: “Let the preacher give character studies of missionaries, now and then, Sunday evenings. These might be made very interesting. Let the ladies have papers on missionary sub-

jects in the mid-week meetings. Let them work in social lines. I wish I could read you her account of a missionary tea-party given by a friend of hers to the society ladies, which was a great success; but I refer you to Mrs. Caswell's "Report of the State Unions," just issued, where you will find the story under "California," on page 89. Missionary literature in the form of leaflets and books was dwelt upon as of great importance.

We had still other good things which were not on the program and which Mrs. Berry beautifully characterized as the "grace-notes" of the composition.

The last half hour had been given to Mrs. Caswell in which to conduct a "Service of Consecration." Instead of this she introduced Superintendent Scofield, of Texas, who gave us a most delightful Bible reading upon "Mary of Bethany." A new thought was brought out in the character of Mary. He said we were too apt to excuse ourselves for being like Martha, and to say it was a matter of temperament that the one sat at Jesus' feet while the other was bustling about. The Bible, however, says that Mary hath *chosen* the better part. It was a matter of *choice*, and it was the *better* part. This talk made a fitting close to a most helpful day.

The Wednesday afternoon meeting of the Woman's Department of the American Home Missionary Society was arranged and conducted by Mrs. Caswell, and is reported by another.

I think even a pessimist must have felt after these meetings that there were a great many very good people in the world. Certainly it seems as though all these women must be living out Mary Brigham's favorite maxim, which was quoted there:

"Send me anywhere, only go with me;

Give me anything to do, only sustain me;

Deny me anything, only grant me Thy presence."

MARY OF BETHANY.

THE afternoon session of the Tuesday meeting was concluded by a very helpful Bible reading by Superintendent Scofield, of Texas. He told us the story of "Mary of Bethany." Such a short little story, yet so full! Mr. Scofield has a habit of labeling Scripture characters—not by outward things, as "Joseph, the Prime Minister," but by the spiritual deeps in them. He calls the little study of Mary of Bethany, "Spiritual Insight." "Do you notice," said he, "that we get *this* Mary just three times? Luke 10, John 11, and John 12. I think if we call these respectively, Mary learning, Mary tested, and Mary serving, we shall have a good key. Whereas *we* put service first, Christ puts discipleship first. "Mary hath chosen that *good* part," is his reply to serving Martha. How unspiritu-

ally we speak when we call this a matter of "natural bias." Jesus does not say so; he says it is a matter of *choice*; "Mary hath *chosen* that good part"—to sit at my feet and hear my Word—"CHOSEN," "MY WORD."

What next? Mary is tested. Death comes, Jesus tarries. When he comes he meets Martha's voluble reproaches. Where is Mary? *Waiting till her Master sends for her.* But *when*, he calls, how quickly she comes! John 11: 29.

Read verse 45. Isn't it wonderful? *The converts were all Mary's friends!* How this illustrates John 15: 5. Mary, who began by filling her heart with the WORD, and then restfully "abode," brought forth "much fruit."

Then came the great act of SERVICE which we can ponder constantly, ever finding new beauty: The Anointing in Simon's house. Note the *spiritual insight* of the act. Mary alone, of all the disciples, understood his words about dying and rising again. We do not find Mary of Bethany at the empty tomb very early in the morning on the first day of the week ready to anoint a dead Christ! She alone identifies herself with him in the *anticipation* of his sufferings. How beautifully *silent* she was! She does not speak a word in the whole scene. When the stupid disciples accuse her of waste, she leaves her defense to him whom she serves. What praise! "She hath wrought a good work on me"; "*she hath done what she could.*" And all this begins by choosing to *know* rather than to *do*, and it ends by doing more than all the rest. Did not Mary, of Bethany, *realize* Paul's aspiration? (Phil. 3: 10), "That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings."

The next morning after this Bible reading we were stopped upon the street by a lady in deep mourning, a summer boarder at Saratoga, who said, "Allow me to thank you for the invitation given to Mr. Scofield yesterday. That story of Mary of Bethany was a revelation to me. I could not sleep last night thinking about it. Spiritually I seem to have entered a new world. I am an Episcopalian; but at that service CHRIST was revealed to me, and I saw my relation to him. I cannot explain it to you, but a great change has come into my life."

[The key-note of the Bible-reading has been expressed in the following lines.]

CHRIST never asks of us such busy labor

As leaves no time for resting at his feet;

The waiting attitude of expectation

He oftentimes counts a service most complete.

He sometimes wants our ear, our rapt attention,

That he some sweetest secret may impart;

'Tis always in the time of deepest silence

That heart finds deepest fellowship with heart.

We sometimes wonder why our Lord doth place us
 Within a sphere so narrow, so obscure
 That nothing we call work can find an entrance ;
 There's only room to suffer, to endure !

Well, God loves patience ! Souls that dwell in stillness,
 Doing the little things, or resting quite,
 May just as perfectly fulfill their mission,
 Be just as useful in the Father's sight

As they who grapple with some giant evil !
 Clearing a path that every eye may see !
 Our Savior cares for cheerful acquiescence,
 Rather than for a busy ministry.

And yet—he does love service, where 'tis given
 By grateful love that clothes itself in deed ;
 But work that's done beneath the scourge of duty,
 Be sure to such he gives but little heed.

Then seek to please him, whatsoe'er he bids thee !
 Whether to do, to suffer, to lie still !
 'Twill matter little by what path he leads us
 If in it all we seek to do his will !

EXTRACTS.

MY RECENT TRIP THROUGH MEXICO.

BY MRS. RALPH EMERSON, ROCKFORD, ILL.

THIS subject, while it may seem remote from what some may regard as a home missionary topic, you will very readily see has a very close relation thereto, when you remember that nearly one third of what is now home missionary ground in the United States belonged, within the memory of men now living, to the country of Mexico, the land of the Montezumas, the home of the Aztecs, and represented the Spanish possessions in America; for all of California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, with parts of three other States, belonged to Mexico. In many of these States and Territories there still remain many of the old Mexican characteristics, and we have much of the peculiar features of these old races to deal with in our home missionary work.

With a great price we have bought these countries, both in money and life, and it is not surprising that the same difficulties with which we had to contend at first still exist, and it is only by understanding the peculiarities of a country or race that we have to deal with, that we can best meet these difficulties, and, to our shame be it said, many of us know more of the European races than we do of our next-door neighbors ; hence it is not amiss to acquaint ourselves more particularly with Mexico.

You well remember the thrilling story of Cortez's conquest of Mexico. Cortez made the Indians feel that they had no right to an existence, and that it was only owing to his great "mercy and tenderness" that a single one was allowed to live; they were made to feel that the country was being subjugated, not for the benefit of the conquered, but for the conquerors, and in fact the same motives for preserving any of them alive appear to obtain, that caused the raising of mules and cattle and animals generally, namely, the use to which they could be put, the service which they could be made to do.

Cortez reduced the Indians to abject servitude, a servitude which still exists. As an example, we were near one of the great silver mines of the country, which belongs to the Count of Regla. This mine has been worked for three and a half centuries, and the royal records show that the total product of the mine has been over eighty millions of dollars. Under Spanish rule over 3,000 persons were worked constantly in this mine, a great majority of whom, having once been driven down into the shafts, as a herd of burros is driven to and from the mines with their loads of ore, were never allowed to come up so long as they could live and work. These peons, as they were called, were usually raised in the haciendas, into which they were born, and when they were old enough and strong enough to do a man's work they were immured in these underground walls. Who would want to possess that eighty millions of dollars when the price of its digging was such an aggregate of human suffering? Now, under Republican rule, we are told that the laborers are treated more humanely, a squad being sent down for a specific length of time, as may be agreed upon, and then change about, one set of men coming to the surface and another set going down into the caves of the earth to work out their turn, turn about.

We did not go down into any of these mines, but we were shown through one of the most extensive "reduction works" of Gaunawato, to which the diggings of probably a hundred claims are sent for reduction, and had a very vivid exhibition of the relative value of a man and a burro. A burro is a four-footed man, or a man is a two footed burro, just as you please to put it. Out in the great patois or yard, covering an acre of ground, where the silver ore (that has already been crushed to powder in the crudest way imaginable) is mixed with water and the chemicals that shall ultimately separate the pure silver from its refuse, we saw men and beasts wading knee and thigh deep in a thick, waxy, black mud, composed of silver ore, quicksilver, and sulphate of copper, mixing the material by the treading of their feet. Round and round, up and down, side by side, these men and beasts wade day after day, for it is a long, tedious process, taking weeks of time, and yet so cheap is labor, so cheap the worth of a soul, so valuable is gold and silver, that it would

not pay the moguls of society, the English and American capitalists, to introduce improved machinery or superior smelting works that would accomplish the results in half the time. But so keen of sight, so sound of judgment do some of these two-footed animals become in their handling of the ore, that it is said an assayer's delicate tools do not more accurately determine the quantity of pure silver to a ton of ore than some of these Indian laborers can predict. I did not hear of such keen perception being attributed to the four-footed burros, but force of habit can do a great deal even for a mule, and as we watched them coming down the mountain defiles in great droves, each with its double pack of ore in sacks across its back, and make straight for its own reduction works, we felt that they at least knew that there were board and lodging at the other end of their day's work. It is said that a load for a burro is 330 pounds, but that a man will often carry double that amount.

It makes one's blood boil to think of this down-trodden Toltec—Aztec race, reduced to such a servitude. But stop a moment: do the mills of the gods always grind one way?

For despite this prevalent servitude, this heritage from Cortez, who are the rulers to-day in Mexico? To my great surprise I found they are the descendants of the old Toltec and Aztec races; the children's children of the Montezumas. The educated Indians walk the legislative halls of their ancestors rather than the pure-blooded Spanish, and are making the laws and ruling the destinies of the Republic. True, it has been through great tribulation that they have come to the front, but Juarez, who is the great hero of Mexico, the savior of his country, as he is called, was a full-blooded Indian. From being a fugitive, hunted, like King David, from stronghold to stronghold by the combined forces of Napoleon and Maximilian, he at last gathered about him a sufficient army to become the deliverer of his country and overthrow the imperial rule of the usurper, Maximilian.

In the city of Orizaba we were shown through the dark portal of an ancient convent which, with its gardens and open courts, must have covered originally several acres of ground. A large part of it has been cut up by streets running through it, and its cells changed to dwelling-houses and shops; but enough remains for us to see what it had been. Those solid walls, six to eight feet thick, its hundreds of cells opening off from its corridors, but with no windows to the outside world, produced a strange sense of depression as we wandered up and down its stone halls and were told of its dungeons beneath, and saw doorways that had been walled up, no one knew when or why. We could almost hear the moans of untold anguish born, it may be, of intense religious fervor, but nevertheless wails of anguish, with which those walls were saturated. When the Indian Juarez came to Orizaba as President of the Republic of

Mexico, this convent was nominally occupied by twelve hundred nuns. Juarez, knowing the true character of the priesthood which dominated the place, communicated his plans to no one, but at midnight surrounded the convent with his soldiers, blocking up every avenue of escape, and then at that midnight hour marched every inmate of that convent out into the street.

You will hardly expect me to go into detail of the causes and condition of things that led Juarez to that ejection, but suffice it to say that they were not nuns alone who were thus summarily put forth into the streets of Orizaba, but a mixed multitude. From that hour forward Juarez's war upon convents and monasteries, as the rankest hotbeds of crime and vice, was unrelenting and severe, and everywhere such property was confiscated by the government. Neither by him during his life, nor President Diaz's administration, are nuns or monks allowed, knowingly, to remain as such in the Republic of Mexico. No priest or bishop can wear any priestly robes outside of the churches; so that on the streets they are not distinguishable from other men, save by the smoothly-shaven face or cropped head, and we did not see a nun of any order or description throughout Mexico.

In the city of Mexico my husband was introduced to a leading Mexican of great intelligence and refinement. He asked him about the relative strength of the various religions in Mexico. With great dignity he remarked:

"There are two leading religions in Mexico, one is the Roman Catholic and the other is freemasonry."

This was said in the most earnest, matter-of-fact way, as an assertion not to be gainsaid. Now, as we women are not allowed to be "freemasons," it is not surprising that most of the worshipers in their churches were females. In the most fashionable churches we saw very few men of any education or refinement of countenance, and the few whom we did see came in and hastily went through the ceremonies—crossing themselves, etc., in a very supercilious way, as a form to be gotten through with, like being vaccinated to ward off future ills.

I would like to tell you about the country which, by its people wearing sandals, their water jars, and oriental clothing, their dwellings, their domestic animals, their whole mode of living, reminds one of what we read of in Palestine and Damascus and Cairo. Rebeccas at the wells waiting their turn to draw water; yes, in their very hotels the guest-chamber and the manger under the same roof, it would have been but a step for the wise men at the inn to have "beheld where the young child lay"; of the open courts, open to the sky, in which you seemed to feel that you lived out-of-doors day and night; those open courts, full of plants and growing tropical fruits, gave an air of fragrance and beauty to many

a home into whose interior one was fortunate enough to catch a passing glance. Most of the houses are built of sun-dried bricks, twelve to fourteen inches square, such as the Israelites made in the time of Pharaoh, called adobe. For the reason that the country is still unsafe (as you can judge from seeing almost every Mexican gentleman carrying a large revolver strapped to his side, and an escort of soldiers on every passenger train and at every station at which we alighted, drawn up in line until the train moved on again) the houses are built with very few windows opening into the street, and one can hardly tell a private dwelling or mission premises from a tavern or a granary. Thus throughout the cities block after block presents a solid wall to the street. Occasionally, through an old oaken door ajar, revealing the open court within, often full of tropical fruits and flowers, you catch glimpses of the sleeping and living rooms of the inhabitants, getting their light and air from this inside court. But oftener it is a picture of squalor and destitution that these "holes in the wall" reveal, and you turn away heart-sick at the sight.

The beautiful city of Guadalajara is such a hotbed of Spanish Catholicism that the lives of our missionaries to-day are hardly safe within its precincts; yet this second city of the Republic was chosen by the Congregationalists, long before it had any connection by railroads with the outside, in which to plant the standard of the Cross. Those arid cactus plains were a great barrier to outside travel, and to carry the Lamp of Truth where the night was darkest was no trivial undertaking. Let me tell you what we found there, for the story of one mission field is the story of them all. It was late on Saturday evening that we reached Guadalajara, and were ushered in through a stone archway into what seemed to be the stable of the hotel. Following our Spanish guide up a flight of stone steps we soon found ourselves in an open court surrounded on all sides by a wide veranda or hall, off which were sleeping and dining rooms, parlors, etc., and were soon in comfortable quarters for the Sabbath. Sunday morning came, and after breakfast we started out to find the Protestant mission. Thousands of people, men, women, and children, were thronging the streets leading to the cathedral, and as we neared the Plaza in front of the cathedral and saw the steps covered with still greater crowds braiding palm branches and twining them with fresh flowers, we were reminded that it was Palm Sunday, and, following the crowd into the interior, we saw the entire floor of that immense cathedral covered with a devout, kneeling mass of humanity, making ready for the triumphal procession and ultimate sprinkling of the palm branches with holy water by the archbishop. We did not tarry for the closing ceremonies, but went on in quest of the Protestant chapel. Our way lay through the crowded market-place. What a sight that was, with its mot-

ley crowd of human beings bartering, buying and selling as though it were not Sunday ! It reminded one of Christian's walk in Vanity Fair.

But it is nearly church time and we must press on, leaving the crowd behind us, on down that long, hot street with single-story adobe walls on either side, with here and there an open doorway revealing the fact that there were homes behind this solid front to the street, until at last the cadence of a familiar tune, coming from what we supposed was a private residence, assured us that we had reached our destination ; especially as the young, bright woman who had a few blocks back accosted us with, "Are you not Americans ?" and had volunteered to show us the way to her husband's church, at once turned into this little courtway. We followed her and were soon listening to the church service and sermon, all in Spanish, but watching the intense, upturned faces of those Mexicans, drinking in every word and thought of the preacher instead of going through any form of lip service. What a contrast to the scenes through which we had just passed !

In this little Protestant congregation we saw men (full-blooded Indians) who had been beaten with rods, knocked down in the streets because they would not kneel as the "Host" was being raised or lowered in the churches, a fact which is known by the ringing of bells at certain parts of the service ; others wounded with stones and threatened with death for preaching Christ. One of them—Pedro, I think, was his name—who, but a short time ago, was riding over the plains to preach in a neighboring city, was met by a horseman armed to the teeth. "I will shoot you," was the salutation he heard, and the revolver came to its level aim. Pedro calmly looked into its muzzle and said, "Here I am," and never once flinched. Why that finger which tremulously pulled on the trigger did not pull a little harder and send Pedro, the Indian missionary, to join Peter, the apostle, in the courts of our Lord, he never knew. Suddenly the arm dropped at his adversary's side, the horse was wheeled about, and with a volley of curses his persecutor disappeared in a cloud of dust. Such were some of the experiences that we heard from the lips of Mr. Howland and his good wife, till our hearts burned within us.

What can be done to reach these people and bring them to the knowledge of Christ, which emancipates from all such superstition, Mr. and Mrs. Howland and Belle Haskins are trying to do in that city ; but they are but three among so many, and possibly some day one of those stones, which even now are occasionally hurled through their windows, or some religious fanatic, may suddenly end Mr. Howland's work. But he is as fearless as General Grant, and can be trusted to hold the fort and fight it out on that line as long as life shall last. This can be said of all the missionary workers at the front in Mexico. They are a fearless set of

men, men who "count not their lives dear unto themselves," so that the religion of Christ is preached to these bigoted people.

How did we find it in the private life of the lowest classes? On a beautiful plantation in Orizaba, full of tropical fruits and flowers, the graceful, drooping branches of innumerable trees, with bright, glossy leaves laden with luscious oranges or the richly tinted coffee berry hanging over in bright clusters in every direction, we found a native hut so closely hidden by the dense tropical foliage, that at first it was indiscernible. This Indian hut had nothing but reed walls, through which the wind could blow without stint; thatched roof, mud floor, a pile of stones outside upon which to cook the scanty food, two smoothly worn stones on which to grind the Indian corn, prepared as for hulled corn, the "tortillas" of Mexico; no seats but the ground, no furniture of any description, a block of wood for a pillow, thin straw matting for a bed, no change of raiment for the occupants; and yet full half the money value of all in sight, which would not have exceeded three Mexican dollars, was spent on the little shrine built up against the side of the hut in its most sheltered nook, to the Holy Virgin, the mother of Jesus. Such was a specimen of the homes into which we looked more than once during our rambles through the country; or if the reed sides of the hut were more often the rude, unplastered adobe walls, or but an awning stretched across four poles, it mattered but little to the inmates, the poverty and destitution were the same. It is a study that haunts me even more since I have come from Mexico, how such utter degradation can be overcome.

Deeply hidden in these Mexican forests are old monuments, probably of Toltec origin, that were erected long before America was discovered, on which, among other sacred emblems, there plainly appears THE CROSS. No living man can read the hieroglyphics that surround it, but on its top there is the face and forehead of a man, though somewhat rudely carved, and above it is an eagle plainly outlined. Can it be that this points back to some tradition of the cross of Christ among these ancient Toltec people? Can it be the same Roman eagle which surmounted the inscription which Pilate wrote in Greek and Hebrew and Latin? May it be that this new world has had a strange religious history of its own? Strange indeed are the questions that force themselves upon one traveling in a foreign land, and nowhere in all my travels hitherto have I ever been in so foreign a land, or mingled with a race of people that attracted me as did the faces of this Mexican race. Filthy, degraded, ground to the dust are the masses, till they almost seem a part of the mother earth on which they sit and live so constantly; yet they have their redeeming characteristics that can be depended upon. Love of country, great kindness and love to each other, and a very devout religious yearning. Is not

a race like this, loving, hard working, of deep-seated religious feeling, and which in our day has produced its heroes—a Juarez and a Diaz, and in the past a Guatomozin—worth winning and keeping for Christ?

THE CHILDREN OF DR. MARCUS WHITMAN.

“Do tell us what became of the Whitman children who ‘ran upstairs’ at the time of the massacre! Many people seem to think that those poor, twice-orphaned and hunted and frightened children are still upstairs in that horrible, bloody cabin!”

These and similar inquiries having come to us since Mrs. Montgomery’s thrilling story was told at the Saratoga meeting, 1890, we have asked her to reply. She writes:

“Several letters have been received by me also, asking further information concerning this family and our relationship to them. Neither is my husband, Rev. M.W. Montgomery, nor myself, a blood relative of Dr. Whitman. Mr. Matthew P. Montgomery (father of Rev. M. W. Montgomery) resided in Steuben County, New York, and he and Dr. Whitman were intimate friends; and so remarkable was the personal resemblance between them that their friends could not distinguish them apart at the distance of a few feet. Matthew P. Montgomery named his third son (my husband) ‘Marcus Whitman,’ after his bosom friend. On the Pacific Coast they honor Whitman by naming counties after him, and are building ‘Whitman College’ as his monument. In our family we also seek to perpetuate his name, and have named one of our sons ‘Marcus Whitman.’ May he also become as devoted a missionary as Dr. Whitman!

Dr. and Mrs. Marcus Whitman had but one child of their own, a daughter—Alice Clarissa, who at about two years of age was drowned, June 23, 1839, in the Walla Walla River, upon the banks of which was their home.

In the immigration of 1844-’45 across the Rocky Mountains to the ‘Oregon country’ there was a family named Sager, consisting of parents and seven children, two sons and five daughters. The youngest daughter was born during the overland journey, and soon afterward both parents died. The seven orphans were cared for by some of the immigrants until they arrived at Wai-i-lat-pu, the mission station of Dr. Whitman. The sight of these helpless children so touched the tender sympathies and large hearts of Dr. and Mrs. Whitman that they immediately adopted the whole family, and soon afterward adopted two other orphans, half-breed little girls. From being childless Mrs. Whitman thus suddenly

found herself to be a mother to whom nine little children, two boys and seven girls, looked for care and love.

These are the children who, when made orphans a second time by the cruel ingratitude and treachery of the Indians, 'ran upstairs' when the brave Whitmans fell. The Sager boys, John and Francis—aged, at the time of the massacre (Nov., 1847), respectively about sixteen and fourteen years—were also slain. The two-year-old mountain-born babe, the youngest of the Sager girls (Helen L.), and one of the half-breed girls, Helen M. Meek, died after the massacre 'from want of care,' it is said, during the general alarm and flight of the whites. I very much fear that the poor little things starved to death.

What has become of the other half-breed girl, Mary A. Bridger, is not now known so far as I can learn; but she is supposed not to be living. The four other Sager daughters—Catharine, aged at the time of the massacre about thirteen years; Elizabeth, ten years; Matilda, eight years; and Henrietta, four years—were all married later. Matilda is dead, but the other three are yet living; they 'only are escaped to tell' the bloody story. Mrs Catharine Sager Pringle resides at Colfax, Whitman County, Wash.; Mrs. Elizabeth Sager Helm, at Nansene, Wasco County, Or.; and Mrs. Henrietta Sager Delany, at Farmington, Whitman County, Wash.

The persons now living who probably know most about this tragedy are, the eldest of these daughters, Mrs. Catharine Sager Pringle; Rev. Cushing Eells, D.D., Tacoma, Wash.; and his son, Rev. Myron Eells, D.D., Union City, Mason County, Wash. Mrs. Pringle has written a description of the massacre (I do not know where it can be obtained); Cushing Eells has published a small pamphlet on the subject of Whitman's share in the rescue of Oregon from British intrigue; and Myron Eells is the author of the volume 'Indian Missions,' which contains much of this history. He has also written recently a series of articles on this subject for 'The Pacific,' published at San Francisco. Charles Carleton Coffin's 'Building of the Nation' has some pages on this subject which boys like very much; and Dr. William Barrow's volume, 'Oregon,' has quite a full history of these events. 'The Missionary Herald' of 1848 has many details of the massacre. It is claimed that Bancroft's 'Oregon' seeks to rob Dr. Whitman of his honorable and heroic share in the saving of that country to the United States, and also that the materials for that volume were prepared by a Roman Catholic hostile to Dr. Whitman's Protestant mission and successful diplomacy. On this phase of that romantic and sad history the two Drs. Eells, above named, and the Hon. John R. McBride, of Salt Lake City, Utah, formerly Member of Congress from Oregon, can give valuable information. Other books and

many newspaper articles have appeared on various phases of this history. 'The Independent' has published the celebrated poem, 'Whitman's Ride,' by Alice W. Rollins."—*Mrs. M. W. Montgomery, Chicago.*

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

In the first three months of the current (sixty-sixth) financial year the receipts have been as follows :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$13,542 54	\$17,280 43	\$30,822 97
May.....	24,052 85	3,223 02	27,275 87
June.....	15,608 82	6,907 54	22,516 36
	<hr/> \$53,204 21	<hr/> \$27,410 99	<hr/> \$80,615 20

The receipts in the corresponding months of 1890 were:

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$20,306 48	\$3,723 85	\$24,030 33
May.....	14,969 79	2,066 64	17,036 43
June.....	11,845 88	2,163 11	14,008 99
	<hr/> \$47,122 15	<hr/> \$7,953 60	<hr/> \$55,075 75

This shows an advance over the first quarter of last year of \$25,539.45, of which \$6,082.06 is a gain in contributions and \$19,457.39 in legacies. It is also a gain of about \$10,000 in contributions and of nearly \$11,700 in legacies over the average receipts in the same months of the four years immediately preceding this.

That the cause is not losing its hold nor merely keeping the hold it had, but is steadily gaining on the good will of its supporters, as shown in the most practical way by their offerings, is certainly matter for congratulation; yet with a full knowledge of all that needs to be done, all that could be done, all that would be done if God's people at large had any adequate idea of the duty laid upon them, the opportunity open before them, the prize set within their reach, it is not possible to be satisfied with what has been already attained. Past successes should only quicken the faith and spur the efforts of the friends of Home Missions to press on for the greater and better things beyond. Many of these friends, scattered here and there in this and other lands for the summer, will not see these lines in time to come to the relief of the treasury in its time of greatest need. Will not those whom this

statement does reach cheerfully respond at once, each according to his or her several ability? These dimes, dollars, tens, hundreds, thousands, held by God's children, are "talents" intrusted to them for use in his work, and only when so used can they bring lasting profit to the user. By His providence, His spirit and His word the Lord is calling upon his stewards for that which is HIS OWN.

A THIRD SECRETARY.

With peculiar satisfaction we announce the election of the Rev. Washington Choate, of Greenwich, Ct., as third secretary of this Society, and his cordial acceptance of the position.

It has been apparent for some time to those most familiar with our constantly expanding work that additional help is needed in the department of Supervision. During the last fifteen years, both the annual income of the Society and the number of its missionaries have doubled, and the area of its operations has been vastly increased. This growth involves, of course, greatly increased labor in correspondence, in visiting and inspecting the field, and in keeping the cause, by way of publications and addresses, before the people. The number of letters annually copied and sent from these rooms fifteen years ago did not exceed four thousand. That number has now advanced to ten thousand. Meanwhile the number of Executive Officers has remained the same.

It is for the interest of contributing churches and individuals that the weighty trust involved in this great and growing enterprise should not be administered by men too weary by reason of overwork to bring clear and vigorous minds to the important problems that press for solution. From the friends of the Society, therefore, as well as from its overburdened officers, the new Secretary will receive a hearty welcome.

Mr. Choate was born in Essex, Mass., in 1846. He graduated from Amherst in 1870, and after teaching for some years in the Adelphi Academy, of Brooklyn, N. Y., entered the Union Theological Seminary in New York City, graduating from that institution in 1875. He has since been a successful pastor in Manchester, N. H., Irvington on the Hudson, and Greenwich. In his experience as a member of the Executive Committee, he has become practically familiar with the work, and has at the same time evinced peculiar fitness for the important position to which he has now been spontaneously and unanimously chosen by his fellow members. He expects to enter upon his new duties about the middle of August.

"OUR COUNTRY."—The mails are bringing constant proof that our friends were glad to see the announcement in *The Home Missionary* for June, of a forthcoming new and revised edition of this remarkable book. It has now been issued from the press of the Baker & Taylor Company, 749 Broadway, New York, the wide-awake and enterprising firm who handle the work for this Society, which still holds the copyright. Under their admirable management more than 135,000 copies of the first edition were sold and found eager readers in all parts of the country. Orders for the revised volume have, so far, come largely from readers of the earlier editions who desire the work for distribution. The statistics in the revision have all been carefully re-examined in the light of the eleventh census and other official publications; a chapter on "Religion in Public Schools" has been added, and other chapters have been so enlarged that the book contains one third more matter than before. The price has been necessarily raised to sixty cents for the volume (275 pages) in cloth binding, and thirty cents in paper covers. Orders may be sent to the publishers or to this Society. It is safe to say that an equal amount of valuable information concerning our country, its past, present, and future, its needs, dangers, possibilities, and promise, cannot be found elsewhere in so small space and for so little money. Friends of Home Missions especially can hardly serve the cause more wisely than by the liberal distribution of "Our Country." None need fear that the book will not be read through by him who begins it. Intelligent foreigners, making new homes here, will be immensely profited by a study of its enlightening pages. Dr. Strong well deserves, as he is receiving, the commendation of thoughtful Christians and patriots for the prolonged and careful study that has enabled him to give this volume to the world.

OUR NEW MAP.

In a recent number of *The Home Missionary* we advertised for a cartographer to succeed the late Mr. Fred. Leuthner in the manufacture of our large Home Missionary Map of the United States, for the use of the churches. We are happy to announce that Mr. Samuel E. Mann, of Methuen, Mass., has responded to this call and has already sent us several maps, as specimens of his work, which will, we think, give great satisfaction to home missionary speakers and workers. These maps, like those of Mr. Leuthner, are on cloth, hand made, nine feet by twelve in size, finished in diamond dyes, and are pleasant to the eye as well as adapted to make one wise in home missionary geography. They may be obtained, on application at these rooms, at their cost price, namely, twelve dollars each.

NOTICE comes to us of the death, in Battle Creek, Mich., of Mrs. Elizabeth Hawthorne Evarts, wife of Rev. Reuben Evarts, for several years in the service of this Society as Home Missionary. "From her youth her life was consecrated to the Master's service. Full of honor and of years" she has gone home to receive the crown of life promised to the faithful.

ROLL OF HONOR !

The church at Helena, Montana, Rev. F. D. Kelsey, pastor, the first in that Northern Rocky Mountain region to become self-sustaining, was, by some unaccountable mistake, omitted from the "Roll of Honor" published in the July *Home Missionary*. By the untiring efforts of its pastor, Mr. Kelsey, and at great sacrifice, this church resolved to take care of itself after Nov. 1, 1890, and this decision was announced by a joyful "Hallelujah," the echoes of which reached the Bible House just in season to be caught up by the December *Home Missionary* and sent ringing through all the land. While we regret that it is not in its due place on the "Roll," we are sure that this brave mountain church is already on record, and justly honored, in the hearts and prayers of our readers.

ANOTHER.

JUST as we go to press the news comes that another home missionary child is able to go alone, and this, our well beloved Church of the Redeemer, Atlanta, Ga., the Rev. A. F. Sherrill, D.D., Pastor. By a rising vote, Sunday, July 5th, this church joyfully and unanimously assumed self support and congratulated itself "on the possession of a pastor who has, by his wise leadership and efficient work, been able, in less than two years to so strengthen us numerically, financially and spiritually as to render such a step possible." In these congratulations *The Home Missionary* heartily joins.

"THE bicycle 'to be given away,' mentioned in the July number, has been disposed of," writes Treasurer Palmer, of Boston.

THE Third Annual Meeting of the Vermont W. H. M. U., June 9, at Brattleboro, that charming, quaint old town on the Connecticut,

gave evidence of a marked increase of interest in woman's work throughout the State. That the help of these women of the Vermont churches is appreciated by the pastors was proved by the unique and very successful meeting on Tuesday evening. It was known as a "Home Missionary Rally," arranged jointly by the Convention and the Woman's Union. To any association desiring to strike a high keynote at the very beginning of its sessions we commend this plan. The evening opened with a genuine "praise service," in which all heartily joined. Then followed nine speakers, every other one a woman! Dr. Lamson, of St. Johnsbury—a model moderator—rigidly enforced the fifteen-minute limit, and the large audience manifested no weariness at the close of this full program. It may have been that the occasional voice of a woman, and a woman's "way of putting things" was a relief to the listeners.

The Vermont Association also takes note of the signs of the times in a movement which promises grand results, namely, the employment of four lady evangelists in house to house visitation. The appearance and addresses of these devoted young women were a spiritual upliftment and proved their "right to be."

The Woman's Homeland Meeting, guided by Mrs. Swift, of Burlington, was one of the best. The reports and addresses by Mrs. Swift, Mrs. Paine, of Windsor; Mrs. Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury; Mrs. Hawes, Burlington; Mrs. Phillips, Rutland,—all representative women, were listened to with deep interest, and their inspiring words strengthened the faith and courage of all. We were pleased to learn that, in addition to the pledges to the National Societies, the Union, always loyal to its own State work, assumes the support of two lady evangelists.

Mrs. Kirkland, of Bellows Falls, delegate of the Union to the Saratoga meeting, gave a graphic description of that convention. Mrs. Ward, of Yankton, So. Dak., interested all in her new and difficult field in that State, which owes its Christian institutions and present prosperity to the pioneer efforts of herself and her husband, the late President Ward, of Yankton College. Mrs. Caswell, of the A. H. M. S., related some of her experiences during a recent trip to home missionary fields in the West.

The meeting of the Vermont Branch, conducted by Mrs. Benedict, of Burlington, was also one of more than ordinary interest. This meeting has been fully reported in the "Vermont Chronicle."

FROM Vermont to Pennsylvania and the wonderful coal mines, and the Pilgrim Church, of Plymouth. Here we find a band of earnest men and women of Welsh nationality, "assembled in the name of the

Lord," to review the work already accomplished and to lay plans for that to be accomplished. These meetings, under the wise leadership of Rev. E. J. Morris, of Wilkes Barre, reminded one of the old time "protracted meetings," pervaded by the true revival element. The special guidance of the Holy Spirit was earnestly sought before entering upon discussion of the following practical questions: The Temperance Question in its religious aspect; Elements of a True Revival; Sunday-school Work; The Social Questions, and what are their proper demands upon churches and pastors. How shall we reach and interest the young people? How shall we secure ministerial recruits, and how shall we prepare them for service? In addition to live papers and discussions upon these topics, the work of the National Societies was presented by the representatives present, who were permitted "*all the time they would take!*" A rare opportunity, which was fully appreciated by Secretaries Creegan and Duncan, also Superintendent Jones and the representative of the Woman's Department of the A. H. M. S. Secretary Creegan, who conducted the "Question Box," was under a fire of questions that would have daunted a man less brave; but he bore the test over an hour to the delighted interest of all present.

The singing of these Welsh miners in their own language will long be remembered. The impression cannot be put into words, but one who listened to this wonderful music said to them, "I hope I shall stand near you when you sing the 'new song' in the world beyond!"

The Woman's Meeting occupied a forenoon session. The ladies may well be encouraged with the work of the first year of organized effort in this immense State of many nationalities and peculiar conditions. Mrs. Osterhout, Mrs. Yennie, and Mrs. Barnett, of Nanticoke, were listened to with earnest attention, and when the work of the A. H. M. S. was presented the responsive audience gladly welcomed the information given, and suggestions as to methods of work for the future. The ladies of Pilgrim Church organized at once as auxiliary to the State Union, and elected Mrs. Evans, wife of the resident pastor, as their president.

A FRIEND of Home Missions in Concord, N. H., asks: "Why may we not have a 'Cent-a-day Band' in the several auxiliaries of all our State Unions? What an education this would be in the line of systematic giving! We are auxiliary to the New Hampshire Cent-Union, and have made a beginning in this direction. We have a band of ten members in our auxiliary. This is an age when we must be on the alert to keep up with the demands made upon us. When I read about our frontier missionaries, my own spasmodic attempts at self-denial shrink into nothing.

[A paper by Mrs. M. L. Merrit, of California, entitled "How can we popularize Missionary Intelligence?" will be published in a latter issue.]

Appointments in June, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Bræ, James, Longstraw and Union, La.
 Childs, Lucius S., Choctaw City, Oklahoma Ter.
 Culpepper, Louis B., Mt. Jefferson, Ala.
 De Cone, Charles John, East Paris and Fisher Station, Mich.
 Emery, Samuel F., West Newark, N. Y.
 Evans, George, Black Creek, N. Y.
 Francis, Arthur V., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Ter.
 Gordon, Robert, Addison, Mich.
 Hawkes, John S., Hennesey and Hope, Oklahoma Ter.
 Howard, John F., Millville, N. Y.
 Jones, Richard S., Providence, Penn.
 Kephart, William H., Binghamton, N. Y.
 Kimball, James E., Mount Olive, Ala.
 Kloss, Charles L., Kansas City, Mo.
 Knowles, Robert, Flagler, Colo.
 Lawrence, Louis M., Clear Creek, N. Y.
 Minnis, Thomas W., El Reno, Oklahoma Ter.
 Nilson, Frank, General Miss'y among the Swedes in N. Y.
 Patch, Isaac P., Oswego Falls, N. Y.
 Pettit, Samuel A., Naponee and Moline, Neb.
 Preston, William F., Onondaga, Mich.
 Sheldon, Harvey D., Buffalo, N. Y.
 Snyder, Charles W., Perkins, Ind. Ter.
 Thomas, Isaac, Old Forge, Penn.
 Tucker, Adolphus O., Fredonia, Ala.
 Turner, James, Baldwin, Mich.
 Van Arnam, L. D., Syracuse, N. Y.
 Vernon, Leigh R., Evangelist in Kan.
 Wheeler, Edward P., Ashland, Wis.
 Yarrow, William H., Standish, Mich.

Re-commissioned.

Allen, Abram B., Hannibal, Mo.
 Anderson, Edwin L., Ashley and East Fulton, Mich.
 Bickford, Edgar H., Compton, Cal.
 Billings, C. S., Evangelist in Neb.
 Bodwell, Flavel A., Jetmore and Marena, Kan.
 Boyle, Frank W., Sherman, Tex.
 Bradford, Benjamin F., Cedar Grove, N. J.
 Brintnall, Loren W., Steilacoom and Lakeview, Wash.
 Brown, Henry A., New Rockford, No. Dak.
 Burr, William N., San Jacinto, Cal.
 Cadwalader, John, West Bangor, Penn.
 Chase, Charles E., Port Angeles, Wash.
 Cheadle, Stephen H., No. Yakima, Wenas and Natchez, Wash.
 Cooper, James, Harbine, Neb.
 Curtiss, George, Mayville, No. Dak.
 Dailey, S., Blaine, Wash.
 Drake, Andrew J., Iroquois, Osceola, Logan Center, and Esmond, So. Dak.
 East, W. R., Evangelist in Ala.
 Edwards, William, Ft. Abercrombie and Dexter, No. Dak.
 Fordney, Daniel L., Gaston and Hillside, Or.
 Foster, Richard B., Stillwater, Oklahoma Ter.

Frame, Ezra E., Hot Springs, So. Dak.
 Franklin, A. W., Cleveland, Ohio.
 Frazee, John H., Knoxville, Tenn.
 Hall, George S., San Diego, Cal.
 Haresnape, William, Gaylord, Kan.
 Harrison, James K., Santa Rosa, Cal.
 Hilkerbaumner, Richard, Desler, Nelson, Guide Rock, and Beaver Creek, Neb.
 Holt, Marquis L., Ravenna, Neb.
 Horst, George, St. Louis, Mo.
 Hoskins, Emanuel, Adin and Alturas, Cal.
 Howland, Horace N., Twin Springs, Mo.
 Jennings, Samuel J., Sheridan and Big Horn, Wyo.
 Jewell, J. Spencer, So. Riverside, Cal.
 John, Lewis F., Villa Park, Colo.
 Jones, Daniel I., Zanesville, Ohio.
 Jones, John E., Hankinson, No. Dak.
 Kidder, Alberoni, Bloomer, Wis.
 King, James B., Newburgh, N. Y.
 Lewis, Samuel, Schroom Lake, N. Y.
 Lyman, Albert T., Elk Point, So. Dak.
 McConaughy, Frank, Ahtanum, Wash.
 Magill, Thomas, Reno, Nev.
 Millar, William H., Chesaning, Mich.
 Minich, Daniel H., Seibert, Cope, and Arickaree Colo.
 Mylne, George, Jacobsville, Mich.
 Norton, Reuben, Eden, So. Dak.
 Ormes, Manly D., Colorado Springs, Colo.
 Ottman, Henry A., Elmira, N. Y.
 Oviatt, Tracy M., Antioch, Cal.
 Pearson, Benjamin F., Hermosa, Buffalo Gap Lower Battle River, Smithwick, and Hayward, So. Dak.
 Rawson, George A., Vernondale, Cal.
 Robbins, James C., Lincoln, Cal.
 Seecombe, Charles, Springfield, Wanari, and Running Water, So. Dak.
 Sneed, James W., Palermo, Cal.
 Southworth, Edward, White Water, Fruit, and Kannah Creek, Colo.
 Staats, Henry T., Pasadena, Cal.
 Stafford, Burnett T., Mt. Dora and Tangerine, Fla.
 Stallings, J. J., General Miss'y work in Ala.
 Stephens, Frederick, Fremont, Mich.
 Stewart, William C., Lockeford, Cal.
 Stickney, E. H., General Miss'y in No. Dak.
 Strickland, George D., Vanderbilt, Mich.
 Strong, Jacob H., Sunol, Cal.
 Thomas, John A., Tipton and Alila, Cal.
 Thrall, William H., Redfield, So. Dak.
 Tobey, Isaac F., Los Guilicos, Cal.
 Treiber, Michael, Sutton and Stockham, Neb.
 Uzzell, Thomas A., Denver, Colo.
 Veazie, Walter C., General Miss'y in Kan.
 Webster, George J., Ashland, Or.
 Weyler, S., South Pueblo, Colo.
 Whitfield, John W., Washington Mills, N. Y.
 Williams, William T., Slatington, Penn.
 Woolman, William, Fallsade, Neb.
 Woolner, Daniel, Michigan City, St. Petersburg, and Niagara, No. Dak.

Receipts in June, 1891.

MAINE—\$13.90.

Eliot, by Rev. T. F. Millett.....	\$6 25
Kennebunkport, Cong. Chs., by Rev. C. H. Pope.....	7 65

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$93.80.

Claremont, by H. W. Frost.....	40 00
Exeter, E. A. Chadwick, special.....	15 00
New Ipswich, Cong. S. S., by Charles Wheeler, in full, to const. Oliver N. Brooks & L. M.....	17 00

Northampton, J. L. Philbrook, with previous donations, to const. Dea. Fremont P. Moulton & L. M.....	\$21 80
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VERMONT—\$225.22.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Brattleboro, Ladies' Assoc.....	\$20 00
Burlington, Coll. Street Ch.....	25 00
Enosburg.....	3 50
Y. P. M. C.....	5 00

Ludlow	\$3 25	
McIndoes Falls, Ladies' Soc.	2 50	
Manchester, A Friend	1 00	
Montpelier, Seven Ladies	7 00	
Pittsford	10 00	
Ministering Children	10 00	
Rupert	5 50	
Rutland	15 00	
St. Albans	18 67	
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., Y. L. M. S., by Rebecca P. Fair- banks	20 00	
South Ch., Joseph Fairbanks	1 00	
Sheldon	6 00	
Stowe	5 00	
Waitsfield, Home Circle	2 50	
Wells River	10 00	
West Brattleboro	5 00	
Windsor, Y. P. S. C. E.	5 00	
Junior Y. P. S. C. E.	1 00	
	\$181 92	
For the Washington Band:		
Barre, Ladies' Union	5 00	
Burlington, First	10 00	
Greensboro, A. U.	6 30	
Pittsford	5 00	
Saxton's River	5 00	
	\$31 30	\$213 22
Bennington, First Cong. S. S., by H. F. Robinson	10 00	
Windham Co.	2 00	
MASSACHUSETTS—\$6,525.36; of which Legacies, \$1,407.54.		
Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.: By request of donors	\$152 13	
For work among foreigners in the West	4,500 00	
	4,652 13	
Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S. K. Bur- gess, Treas.: For Salary Fund	200 00	
Amherst, Miss Julia F. Kimball	2 00	
Bridgewater, Central Square Ch., by Rev. A. G. Boyden	70 20	
Chelsea, Mrs. S. W. Langworthy	10 00	
Lowell	5 00	
A Friend	1 00	
Merrimac, Mrs. S. B. Sawyer	40	
Newton, Rev. W. Calkins	7 50	
Northampton, First, by Rev. J. H. Searle	339 59	
Dorcas Soc. of the First, by Mrs. J. H. Searle, for Salary Fund and to const. Mrs. D. D. Gorham and Mrs. Lewis Parsons L. Ms.	75 00	
Quincy, A Friend of Missions	2 00	
Webster, First, by E. L. Spalding	50 00	
Williamsburgh, Remainder of Legacy of Mrs. Sophia King Nash, by Frank K. Nash, Ex.	269 23	
Worcester, Remainder of residuary Legacy of Dwight Reed, by E. J. Whittemore, Adm.	1,133 31	
Two Sisters	3 00	
RHODE ISLAND—\$59.53.		
Bristol, First, by P. Skinner, Jr.	49 53	
Newport, A Friend	10 00	
CONNECTICUT—\$7,466.90; of which Legacy, \$5,000.00.		
Miss. Soc. Conn. W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.	1,589 43	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.: Kent, Young Ladies' Mission Circle, by Miss M. Ida King, for Bohemian work	20 00	

Ashford, A Friend	\$5 00	
Bloomfield, by E. B. Rowley	15 60	
Bridgeport, Second, by O. H. Brothwell	133 05	
Bristol, Mrs. N. L. Brewster, deceased, by N. L. Brewster	2 00	
East Avon, by N. J. Seeley	20 00	
East Granby, Y. P. S. C. E., by Walter Dibble, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. S.	5 00	
Essex, A Friend of Missions	5 00	
Franklin, by Rev. H. E. Hart	12 76	
Hartford, Miss E. R. Hyde	5 00	
Killingly, E. Frances Jencks	5 00	
Litchfield, A Friend	12 00	
Mansfield, Second, by B. F. Koons	18 00	
Marlborough, by F. H. Blish	2 57	
Middletown, First Ch., A Friend	50 00	
Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Miss C. M. Bacon	300 00	
South Ch., by G. A. Craig	46 56	
New Britain, On account of Legacy of C. B. Erwin, by H. E. Russell, Jr., Ex.	5,000 00	
So. Ch., through W. W. Jacobs, Treas. Miss. Soc. Conn.	1 00	
New Milford, James Hine	5 00	
New Haven, M. B. S., Center Ch.	5 00	
Norfolk, by J. N. Cowles	20 72	
Norwich, A Widow's Mite	1 00	
Saybrook, Lucy B. Ward	50 00	
Sound Beach, First Ch., A Friend	1 00	
Vernon Center, by E. C. Chapman	51 41	
Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Robert Walker	3 00	
Wallingford, First, by W. E. Patten ..	56 80	
Watertown, Ch., C. B. Tompkins, by W. W. Partree	25 00	
NEW YORK—\$2,408.42; of which Legacies, \$500.00.		
Received by Rev. E. Curtis:		
Black River and St. Lawrence Assoc.	\$13 33	
Stockholm Depot	3 16	
Syracuse, Danforth Ch.	108 95	
Pilgrim Chapel	11 40	
	136 84	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, Treas.: Brooklyn, Plymouth Ch., Mrs. S. V. White, for Salary Fund ..	\$100 00	
Canandaigua, Ladies' H. M. Soc.	150 00	
	250 00	
Angola, Miss A. H. Ames, toward a L. Mp.	5 00	
Antwerp, Specific Legacy of Mrs. Anna E. Snell, by J. D. Ellis, Ex.	500 00	
Brooklyn, Central Ch., in part	642 24	
Rochester Avenue Ch., by John Fra- ser	342 48	
A friend to the cause, \$70; "L. M. B." \$3.	73 00	
Cambria Center, by Rev. D. T. Wil- liams	10 00	
Canandaigua, First, by C. T. Mitchel..	77 54	
Cold Spring, Mrs. D. P. Ingraham ..	4 40	
De Peyster, by Rev. L. Jones	14 17	
Lisbon Center, by Mrs. A. Beckstead..	2 00	
New York City, Broadway Tabernacle, A. C. Armstrong, \$35; H. M. Mun- sell, \$25.	60 00	
Mrs. Parker, \$200; Dea. J. G. Miner, \$20.	220 00	
Oxford, by J. W. Thorp	11 05	
Paris, by Mrs. B. J. Lapham	37 50	
Rockaway Beach, First, by Rev. G. W. Plack	4 50	
Saratoga Springs, Rev. R. Osborn	1 00	
Summer Hill, by Rev. W. G. Hull	5 00	
Wading River, by R. Gosman, Jr.	5 00	
Wilmington, by Rev. D. Fish	6 70	

NEW JERSEY—\$162.50.

Woman's H. M. Union, of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.: Montclair, L. H. M. S., for Salary Fund.....	\$137 50
Summit, Central Presb. Ch., by A. F. Libby.....	25 00

PENNSYLVANIA—\$189.32.

Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.: Philadelphia, W. H. M. S. of Central Ch., for Salary Fund.....	69 67
Catasauqua, Welsh Ch., by Rev. D. R. Griffiths.....	8 00
Coal Dale, by E. D. Jones.....	48 00
East Smithfield, by Dea. A. O. Tracy....	15 00
Old Forge, by Rev. Isaac Thomas.....	2 00
Pottersville, by Miss L. M. Cook.....	6 26
Renova, Swedish Ch., by Rev. A. J. Isakson.....	3 00
Ridgway, by Rev. A. Sjöberg.....	4 06
Shamokin, Welsh Cong. S. S., by Rev. D. F. Davies.....	10 00
Sharon, by Rev. B. Henshaw.....	3 77
Spring Creek and West Spring Creek, by Rev. G. W. Moore.....	4 54
Wilkes Barre, Puritan Cong. Ch., by James Bailey.....	7 02

MARYLAND—\$14.05.

Baltimore, Second Ch., by H. L. Harvey	14 05
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ARKANSAS—\$5.00.

Rogers, by Rev. J. G. Bailey.....	5 00
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GEORGIA—\$30.80.

East Rome, by Rev. F. J. Estes.....	9 35
Society Hill, \$5; Hendricks, \$5; Betha- ny, \$7.45; Maxville, \$5, by Rev. W. H. Graham, Jr.....	22 45

ALABAMA—\$53.35.

Fort Payne, Cong. S. S., by Rev. E. A. Berry.....	40 00
Shelby, Covenant Ch., by Rev. J. S. Upton.....	43 35

FLORIDA—\$147.27.

Received by Rev. A. H. Missil- dine:	
Haines City.....	\$44 25
Sylvan Lake.....	21 53
Tavares.....	3 00
	69 78
Bellevue, by Rev. T. H. Rouse.....	15 00
Leesburg, Sarah A. Benedict.....	5 00
Melbourne, First, by Rev. T. Pell.....	25 00
Mt. Dora and Tangerine, by Rev. B. T. Stafford.....	6 67
Oak Hill, by Rev. C. W. Frazer.....	8 00
Port Orange, by Rev. W. E. Mather....	9 42
Sanford, Rev. S. C. Kennedy.....	10 00

TEXAS—\$45.75.

Denison, Ch., \$12.97; Dallas, \$32.03, by Rev. L. W. Hicks.....	45 00
Palestine, First, by Rev. E. F. Fales...	75

NEW MEXICO—\$12.50.

Albuquerque, Rev. A. B. Cristy.....	12 50
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ARIZONA—\$400.00.

Nogales, A Friend.....	400 00
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KENTUCKY—\$19.30.

Newport, Y. P. S. C. E. of the York Street Ch., by Alice Byrum.....	2 00
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Williamsburgh, by Rev. L. E. Tupper, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.....	\$17 30
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OHIO—\$491.41.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, B.D.: Chester, S. S., by Carrie Wil- liams.....	\$14 00
Cuyahoga Falls, by Charles Clark.....	12 63
Kelley's Island.....	6 85
Litchfield, by Mr. and Mrs. Clapp, which with \$35 in Feb., by Mr. and Mrs. Clapp, to const. Miss Grace Canfield a L. M.....	15 00
Marietta, Harnar Ch., by Douglas Putnam.....	57 60
Washingtonville, Thomas How- ells.....	1 00
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Received by S. P. Churchill, Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleve- land: Chardon, Band of Happy Hearts.....	\$5 00
Cleveland, Jennings Avenue...	25 00
	\$30 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas., rec'd in May: Cleveland, First, Y. P. S. C. E.	7 00
Columbus, Eastwood L. M. S.	21 00
Oberlin, Second, L. S.....	25 00
Williamsfield, L. M. S.....	5 00
	\$55 00
	68 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas., rec'd in June: Conneaut, "Sandwich Circle".....	\$5 00
Fredericksburg, W. H. M. S.	5 00
Harnar, W. H. M. S.....	17 00
Lexington, W. H. M. S.....	5 00
Mrs. H. F. De Lamater.....	5 00
Lodi, W. H. M. S.....	5 00
	\$42 00

Cincinnati, Central Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by Jennie H. Phelps.....	26 55
Cleveland, Union Ch., by Rev. E. E. Scovill.....	15 62
Grace Ch., by Rev. J. H. Hull.....	3 94
Findlay, First, by Rev. D. M. Lewis...	20 00
Gomer, Welsh Ch., by J. P. Morgan, to const. Ebenezer Davies a L. M.....	50 00
Jackson, First, by Rev. S. P. Busier....	5 00
Mt. Vernon, First, by O. F. Murphy...	28 17
Ravenna, In memoriam.....	1 00
Rochester, J. F. C.....	1 00
Sullivan, by Rev. J. W. Heyward.....	5 00
Tallmadge, From Daniel Hine, in trust for the late Mrs. Sarah T. Hine, by John W. Seward.....	50 00
Toledo, First, by W. W. Williams.....	90 05

INDIANA—\$9.90.

East Chicago, by Rev. J. H. Simons...	5 00
West Indianapolis, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. R. Smith.....	90
Orland and Lake Gage, by Rev. D. Q. Travis.....	4 00

MISSOURI—\$62.07.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas.: Cameron.....	\$5 00
St. Louis, Pilgrim Ch., Home- land Circle.....	4 41
Webster Groves.....	25 50
	34 91

Breckenridge, Utica, and Maple Grove, by Rev. J. J. Thompson.....	\$1 50
St. Clair, by Rev. A. H. Rogers.....	5 00
St. Louis, Hyde Park Ch., by Rev. F. B. Doe.....	19 00
Olive Branch Ch., Rev. C. A. Wight.	1 66

MICHIGAN—\$524.42.

Received by Rev. L. Warren, D.D.: Cadillac.....	118 55
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Received by Rev. J. Martin:	
A Friend.....	\$0 41
Berlambont.....	5 66
Clare.....	11 55
Dover.....	7 13
Farwell.....	7 55
Frontier.....	6 65
Grand Junction.....	10 00
Lawrence.....	11 65

60 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Treas., rec'd in May:	
Alpena, special.....	\$13 00
Benton Harbor.....	4 00
Breckenridge.....	1 90
Columbus.....	8 00
East Saginaw.....	52 86
Greenville.....	12 19
Hancock, special.....	20 00
Hudson, Ladies.....	3 00
Irving.....	5 00
Olivet, Ladies, special.....	10 00
Portland.....	2 30
South Haven.....	3 00
West Adrian.....	10 50
Ypsilanti, Mrs. Pratt.....	1 00

\$127 35

Young People's North Star Mis- sion:	
Chassell, S. S.....	\$3 27
Detroit, First, S. S. Easter of- fering.....	11 54
Grand Blanc, Willing Work- ers, for Salary Fund.....	2 23
Grand Ledge, S. S.....	1 07
Hudson, Y. P. S. C. E.....	4 50
Manistee, Willing Helpers.....	5 00
Maple City, S. S., for North Star shares.....	90
Nashville, S. S.....	5 00
Rondo, Y. P. S.....	1 00
Sault Ste. Marie, S. S., Easter offerings.....	2 20
Union City, S. S.....	10 70

174 76

\$47 41

Baldwin, by Rev. James Turner.....	3 50
Benzonia, First, by Rev. E. S. Shaw.....	37 50
Bridgeport, \$13.65; Blackman, \$1.21, by Rev. J. Nicol.....	14 89
Chesaning, by Rev. W. H. Millar.....	3 00
Croton and Big Prairie, by Rev. R. Vir- lian.....	2 50
Custer, Rev. P. M. Crips.....	5 00
Detroit, Fremont Street German Mis- sion, by Rev. E. G. L. Mannhardt.....	4 00
Freeland, by Rev. A. H. Norris.....	2 00
Hartland, by Rev. F. Blomfield.....	3 75
Kalamo, Chester Station and Carmel, by Rev. R. H. Watson.....	17 81
Mancelona and Westwood, by Rev. F. C. Wood.....	5 00
Millbrook and Mecosta, by Rev. H. Ap- pleton.....	2 00
Minden, by Rev. J. M. Warren.....	5 00
Oxford, \$10.35; Orion, Ch., \$11.03; Woman's Miss. Soc., \$5, by Rev. E. Herbert.....	27 28
Port Sanilac, by May Coppennoll.....	4 00
Rosedale, \$6.50; Hay Lake, \$4, by Rev. W. Childs.....	10 50
heridan and Evergreen, by Rev. A.	

H. Clafin.....	\$8 00
Union City, by Rev. J. R. Knodell.....	16 38

WISCONSIN—\$60.76.

Received by Rev. G. W. Nelson:	
Butternut.....	\$2 73
Mason.....	1 17
Maple Ridge, George Hudson.....	25
Pratt.....	2 00
Rhineland.....	20 00

26 15

Elkhorn, First, by Miss B. Trater.....	31 46
Peshigo, by Miss I. C. Rigby.....	3 15

MINNESOTA—\$1,069.21.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley:	
Austin, Cong. S. S.....	\$14 69
Cannon Falls, S. S.....	2 71
Elgin.....	9 50
Excelsior, S. S.....	2 96
Glyndon.....	4 50
Lake City.....	57
Marietta, Rev. S. F. Porter.....	23 00
Minneapolis, Park Avenue.....	100 00
Plymouth Ch.....	48 49
Vine.....	6 00
Lyndale.....	11 30
Fifth Avenue S. S.....	3 42
Morris.....	16 80
Paynesville, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 50
Plainview, Y. P. S. C. E.....	8 00
Spring Valley.....	24 30
S. S.....	8 30
Y. P. S. C. E.....	9 64
St. Paul, Plymouth S. S.....	5 67
West Dora.....	5 33
Zumbrota, A Friend.....	10 00

\$316 77

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M.
W. Skinner, Treas.;

Austin.....	\$33 14
S. S.....	10 89
Belgrade, S. S.....	2 55
Benson.....	4 00
S. S., Easter-offering.....	3 82
Cannon Falls.....	6 90
Dawson, S. S.....	1 21
Dexter, Mrs. Hoppin and chil- dren.....	60
Duluth, Pilgrim S. S.....	4 69
"Northern Lights".....	1 60
Fairmont.....	10 00
Faribault.....	19 16
Grand Meadow.....	7 00
Glyndon.....	2 25
Hutchinson.....	7 00
"Daughters of the King".....	3 60
Janesville.....	5 00
Lake City.....	9 25
S. S.....	15 00
Little Falls.....	1 00
Madison.....	2 81
Mankato.....	5 50
Marshall.....	7 70
Medford.....	5 70
Minneapolis, Vine.....	7 92
Pilgrim.....	26 72
Pilgrim Mission Band.....	4 34
Plymouth.....	97 34
Plymouth, Y. Ladies.....	44 28
Silver Lake.....	4 63
Lowry Hill.....	22 00
First.....	25 50
Bethany, Young Ladies.....	6 65
Fifth Avenue.....	9 50
Lora Hollister.....	2 00
Morris.....	15 00
C. E. Soc.....	2 00
New Richland, Ladies and Mission Band.....	2 35
Northfield.....	7 30
Carleton College.....	17 43



Owatonna.....	\$1 75
Pelican Rapids, 50c., from	
S. S.....	5 40
Plainview.....	2 00
Rushford.....	7 50
St. Anthony Park.....	20 00
St. Cloud.....	36 00
St. Charles.....	5 00
St. Paul, Plymouth.....	51 37
Park.....	6 50
Springfield.....	3 09
S. S.....	1 81
"Cheerful Givers".....	3 50
Spring Valley.....	20 40
Zumbrota.....	13 69
S. S.....	10 66

Received by Rev. D. Magnus:

Kasota.....	\$8 20
Mankato.....	11 33
Merriam Park.....	50
Sandstone.....	2 91
Wyonett.....	4 00

\$970 17

Ada, by Rev. G. M. Morrison.....	7 40
Belgrade, by H. C. Randall.....	5 20
Brainerd, First, by A. E. Lasey.....	15 00
Buffalo, by Rev. K. A. Isakson.....	1 50
Edgerton, by Rev. E. Carter.....	4 00
Fish Lake and Maple Ridge, by Rev. J. P. Rodberg.....	2 50
Glenwood, by Rev. M. W. Chunn.....	2 00
Hancock and Lake Emily, by Rev. C. H. Routliffe.....	1 50
Lakeland, by Rev. G. Wadsworth.....	4 37
Madison, by Rev. F. C. Emerson.....	6 13
Minneapolis, Open Door Ch., by Rev. K. F. Norris.....	3 50
St. Cloud, by Rev. B. Finnstrom.....	2 50
Springfield and Lamberton, by Rev. R. L. D. Preston.....	3 00
Villard and Hudson, Ch., \$9; S. S., \$2, by Rev. L. H. Moses.....	11 00
Winthrop, by Rev. H. B. Harrison.....	2 50

KANSAS—\$33.64.

Received by Rev. L. P. Broad:

Arkansas City.....	\$2 00
Clifton, Swedish Mission Ch....	4 00

6 00

Atwood, by Rev. J. J. A. T. Dixon....	2 00
Brookville, by Rev. S. Wood.....	5 00
Mt. Hope and Haven, by Rev. F. Foster	1 50
Sabetha, First, by Rev. A. C. Hogbin,	
to const. E. G. Stitt a L. M.....	50 00
Scatter Creek, by Rev. S. B. Dyckman	1 41
Smith Center and Cora, by Rev. J. Winslow.....	1 57
Wallace, by Rev. W. C. Veazie.....	8 50
White City, \$6.16; Y. P. S. C. E., \$1.50,	
by Rev. J. Wilde.....	7 66

NEBRASKA.—\$285.45.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.....	255 75
Cortland and Pickrell, by Rev. G. J. Battey.....	17 45
Dustin, Belknap, and Richmond, by	
Rev. W. T. Williams.....	11 00
Monroe, by Rev. R. W. Gammon.....	1 25

NORTH DAKOTA—\$10.10.

Received by Rev. E. H. Stickney:

Argusville.....	79
Caledonia.....	93
Clifford, S.S.....	91
Rose Valley.....	95
Wyndmere, L. M. Soc.....	\$3 00

6 58

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M. Fisher, Treas.....	3 27
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25

Hope, Mrs. Phillip, by Rev. M. L. Stimson.....	25
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SOUTH DAKOTA—\$64.78.

Received by Rev. W. G. Dickin-

son:	
Ipswich.....	\$5 00
Milbank.....	10 00

\$15 00

Chamberlain, by Rev. W. B. Hubbard.....	15 00
Custer City, by Rev. J. V. Willis.....	6 10
Frankfort and Turton, by Rev. J. Trueblood.....	1 63
Myron, \$1; Rev. P. B. Fisk, \$2.50, by	
Rev. P. B. Fisk.....	3 50
Parkston, German Assoc., by G. Schernerle.....	20 00
Powell, by Rev. J. T. Lewis.....	1 50
Ree Heights and Greenleaf, by Rev. B. Iorns.....	2 00

COLORADO—\$333.54.

Woman's H. M. Union, Colo. and Wyo., Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas:

For Debt.....	\$189 35
Denver, First, for Salary Fund.....	50 00

239 35

Denver, Pilgrim Ch., by W. I. Coburn.....	3 19
People's Ch., by Rev. T. A. Uzzell.....	75 00
Otis and Hyde, by Rev. G. Dungan....	5 00
Seibert, Cope, and Arickaree, by Rev. D. H. Minich.....	3 00
South Pueblo and Irving Place Chs., by	
Rev. S. Weyler.....	8 00

IDAHO—\$18.65.

Boise City, by Rev. G. W. Rose.....	12 95
Pocatello, by Rev. C. W. Luck.....	5 70

MONTANA—\$26.50.

Billings, by Rev. S. A. Wallace.....	26 50
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CALIFORNIA—\$74.55.

Received by Rev. J. H. Warren,

D. D.:	
Geyserville.....	\$1 50
So. Juan, Y. P. S. C. E.....	7 25

8 75

Received by Rev. J. T. Ford:

Chula Vista.....	\$2 55
San Bernardino, Bethel Ch.,	
Rev. W. P. Hardy.....	5 00

7 55

Antioch, by Rev. T. M. Oviatt.....	10 00
Byron, by Rev. O. G. May.....	6 50
Clayton, by Rev. E. D. Hale.....	5 00
Los Guillicos, by Rev. I. F. Tobey.....	5 00
Paradise, by Rev. J. B. Ives.....	9 05
Rosedale, Olivet Ch., by Rev. F. A. Field.....	5 00
So. Vallejo, by Rev. R. W. Newlands....	13 00
Turlock, by Rev. J. Macdonald.....	5 00

OREGON—\$25.30.

Received by Rev. C. F. Clapp:

Forest Grove.....	\$10 00
Hillsboro.....	6 25
Portland, Plymouth Ch.....	5 00
Wayne Star, Corvallis S. S.....	1 05

22 30

Beaverton and Finney, by Rev. J. W. Eldredge.....	1 00
Portland, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. C. T. Whittlesey.....	2 00

WASHINGTON—\$713.17.

Cheney, First, by G. H. Wallis.....	13 75
Christopher, by Rev. R. Bushell.....	5 30
Ellensburg, by Rev. A. B. Cochran.....	9 00
Pleasant Prairie, Trent, and Half Moon,	
by Rev. J. B. Renshaw.....	4 37
Pullman, Ch., \$35.65; S.S., \$3.35; Ewars-	
ville, \$10, by Rev. L. O. Baird.....	49 59
Seattle, Plymouth Ch., of which \$100;	
from J. M. Coleman, to const. him-	
self and Lawrence Coleman L. Ms.,	
and \$50 from W. D. Wood; \$50 from	

Hugh S. Taylor; \$50 from Robert Abrams to const. themselves L. Ms., by Rev. R. A. Beard.....	\$310 00
By Rev. W. E. Dawson.....	10 00
Spokane, Ladies' Aid Soc. of the Second Ch., \$10; Ritzville, Ladies of German Ch., \$10, by Rev. T. W. Walters	20 00
Sprague, First, by Rev. J. H. Butler.....	36 00
Sultan City, by Rev. A. W. Bower.....	2 25
Tacoma, First, by C. Hubbell.....	203 00
By Rev. T. Sims.....	50 00
HOME MISSIONARY.....	129 00

Special Collection.

From the Ladies' Meeting of the A. H. M. S. at Saratoga, June 3, 1891, for the work of Mrs. Joseph Ward, in South Dakota.....	335 00
	\$22,553 72

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. E. P. Thwing, package of books.....	\$25 00
Burlington, Vt., Ladies' Aid Soc., by Mrs. T. S. Peck, barrel, half barrel, and freight.....	
Cherry Valley, N. Y., King's Daughters' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. G. W. Dakin, box and freight.....	44 50
Flat Rock, Newport, and Rockwood, Mich., Ladies, by Mrs. E. F. Grabill, box.....	70 00
Greenwich, Ct., Rev. Josiah Strong, D.D., box of books.....	
Homer, N. Y., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Minnie A. Burdick, barrel.....	45 01
Newton Highlands, Mass., S. A. and E. H., box of books.....	
New York City, Young Ladies' Soc. of Pilgrim Ch., by Julia L. Van Embury, two boxes and package.....	260 70
L. Valentine, box of books.....	
South Haven, Mich., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. E. F. Grabill, box.....	40 00
Sumfield, Ct., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. W. L. Loomis, barrel.....	115 29

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from May 25 to June 13, 1891. JOHN L. CROSBY, Treas.

Augusta, South Parish, add'l, by Miss S. W. Waldron.....	\$140 00
Bangor, Hammond St., add'l, by George Webster.....	91 00
Central, add'l, by George S. Hall.....	75 00
Bath, Winter St., by G. J. Mitchell.....	379 20
Belfast, First, by B. F. Field.....	62 60
Benton, by Rev. T. P. Williams.....	5 70
Bethel, First, by J. W. Purrington.....	20 00
Blue Hill, Individuals, by Rev. A. Donnell.....	1 00
Boothbay, Second, by Rev. J. E. Adams, to const. Rev. J. H. Matthews A. L. M.....	20 20
Brewer, First, add'l, by Dea. George A. Snow.....	15 25
Cumberland Mills, Warren, by Rev. E. M. Cousins, to const. Fred A. Verrill, Fred L. Alden, and Rev. E. M. Cousins L. Ms.....	75 15
Dedham, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	3 00
ast Orrington, by Rev. S. D. Towne.....	10 00
astport, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	8 00
oxcroft and Dover, by C. H. B. Woodbury.....	30 00
Freeport, by Rev. W. F. Stowe.....	20 10
Gardiner, by Fred B. Dingley.....	36 02
Garland, by Rev. P. B. Thayer.....	8 00
Gray, by Ansel W. Merrill.....	17 00

Greenville, by Rev. Charles Dawson.....	\$16 70
S. S., by Rev. Charles Dawson.....	10 00
Hallowell, Mrs. Mary Fildfield, Legacy, add'l, by J. S. Fildfield, Esq.....	85 26
Holden, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	7 00
Island Falls, by Rev. Vincent Moses.....	10 00
Jackson, by W. H. S. Dollif.....	8 00
Jonesport, by W. D. J. Sawyer.....	7 15
S. S., by W. D. J. Sawyer.....	7 85
Litchfield, by Rev. S. D. Towne.....	25 00
Mercer, by Mrs. D. G. Wood.....	4 00
Norridgewock, by C. E. Warren.....	33 50
North Anson, by Rev. E. A. Harlow.....	5 50
North Yarmouth, First, by Howard Cole	6 61
Oxford Conference, by H. N. Bolster.....	13 20
Patten, by Rev. Vincent Moses.....	15 00
Portland, Second, of which \$20 from Hon. W. W. Thomas, by E. Gould, Esq.....	160 00
Rockport, by Mrs. A. E. M. Cobb.....	5 00
Searsport, First, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	16 80
Stillwater, by Mrs. M. H. Woodard.....	5 00
Tremont, by Rev. S. D. Towne.....	20 81
Veazie, by Miss Davis.....	5 00
Waterville, by Rev. L. H. Hallock.....	35 00
West Auburn, by C. S. Packard.....	22 00
West Minot, by Rev. Fred Newport.....	4 25
Winslow, by Rev. T. P. Williams.....	15 83
Woolwich, by Mrs. R. P. Otis.....	8 53
Woman's Maine Miss. Aux., add'l.....	969 71
Saco and Biddeford Savings Institution, dividends.....	20 67
European and N. Am. R'y Co. Stock, dividends.....	25 00
York Village, First, Joseph Sewall.....	17 00
	\$2,602 59

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from May 20 to June 6, 1891. T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Albany.....	\$5 00
Bellows Falls.....	90 02
Braintree.....	2 00
Braintree, East, and Brookfield, West.....	32 50
Brattleboro.....	3 00
Calais, East.....	5 00
Charleston, West.....	18 42
Chester.....	1 00
Eden.....	7 00
Fairfax, Mrs. A. B. Beeman.....	1 00
Fairfield, East.....	3 00
Fair Haven, Welsh Ch.....	10 00
Hyde Park, North.....	9 00
Hubbardton.....	6 25
Marlboro.....	9 25
Marshfield, from "W".....	5 00
Newfane.....	17 81
Northfield.....	18 60
Olcott.....	27 83
Peacham, A. Friend.....	5 00
Salisbury.....	14 81
Strafford.....	60 00
Townshend.....	15 76
Vershire.....	15 50
Weston.....	5 00
Williamstown.....	2 00
Windsor, to const. Will E. Robinson A. L. M.....	20 00
Windsor.....	5 00
Junior C. E., for Marie Reitinger.....	5 00
Woodbury, South.....	7 00
Worcester.....	1 15
Orleans County Conference.....	10 00
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	2 30
Woman's H. M. U., Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Barton Landing, A Lady.....	\$0 25
Bennington, North.....	12 00

Brattleboro, West.....	\$10 00
Burke, East.....	5 10
Burlington.....	25 00
Manchester, Y. P. M. S.....	10 00
Marlboro Ladies.....	6 18
Newbury.....	50 00
Plainfield.....	5 00
Post Mills, A Friend.....	2 00
Sheldon.....	5 00
Springfield.....	5 00
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., Y. L.	
M. S., Mrs. Rebecca P. Fair-	
banks.....	20 00
St. Johnsbury, North Ch., Mrs.	
Mary E. Fairbanks.....	25 00
Townshend.....	20 00
Woman's H. M. Union.....	115 00
	\$315 43
	\$755 63

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from June 6 to June 20, 1891. T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Bethel.....	\$10 00
Brattleboro, West.....	15 32
Burke, East.....	10 00
Morrisville, Supply.....	9 00
Orange.....	12 00
Pawlet, Mrs. D. H. Bromley.....	5 00
Royalton.....	6 95
Springfield.....	47 53
South Hero, special.....	31 00
Tyson, special.....	12 15
Vergennes.....	15 00
Wolcott.....	3 71
Annual Collection at Anniversary.....	72 95
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	2 75

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P.

Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Chester, W. H. M. S.....	\$3 00
Montpelier, Friends.....	1 50
Morgan, Ladies.....	2 00
Morrisville, W. H. M. S.....	5 00
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., W. H.	
M. S.....	14 31
Westminster, Mrs. C. W. Thomp-	
son.....	1 00
Woodstock, Ladies.....	5 00
	36 81
	\$290 19

**MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSION-
ARY SOCIETY.**

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in June. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treas.

Amherst, South, by Rev. H. W. Boyd....	\$12 00
Andover, Free Christian, Whatsoever So-	
ciety, by Mrs. F. A. Wilson.....	20 00
Auburn, by Rev. Charles M. Pierce.....	43 35
Bedford, A Friend, by Rev. Edwin Smith	1 00
Boston, A Friend.....	10 00
Dorchester, Village, Ladies' H. M. Soc.,	
by Mrs. Reuben Swan.....	30 00
Mt. Vernon, A Friend, "T.".....	10 00
Old South, by R. H. Stearns, to meet	
pledges of 1890.....	75 00
Roxbury, Eliot, by Alpine McLean....	6 67
Thayer, M. E.....	10 00
Bridgewater, East, Union, by Geo. M.	
Keith.....	8 60
Brockton, Campello, South, by Geo.	
Morse, to const. Herbert S. Dalton and	
Jennie T. Young, L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.	100 00
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, Mon. Con. Coll.,	
by N. H. Holbrook.....	10 91
Wood Memorial, by James H. Robin-	

son, to const. Dea. James Westgate	
a L. M.....	\$56 73
Carver, North, S. S. Mite-box Coll, by	
Rev. N. Lincoln, special.....	6 00
Deerfield, James Childs.....	5 00
Hale, E. J. M., Fund, Income of.....	50 00
Hallowell, Me., Baker, Mrs. H. K.....	5 00
Hampden Benevolent Association,	
by Chas. Marsh, Treas.:	
Agawam, Feeding Hills.....	\$17 00
Chicopee, First.....	5 71
Second.....	74 22
South Hadley Falls.....	11 84
Springfield, Memorial.....	92 81
Indian Orchard.....	7 86
Olivet.....	42 00
West Springfield, Mittineague....	13 35

	264 70
Huntington, First, by L. W. Dimmick...	3 00
Hyde Park, First, by F. D. Freeman....	40 50
S. S., by E. W. Lewis, of which \$12.61	
for Debt.....	47 31
Lakeville, Precinct, S. S., by T. P. Fauli.	10 00
Toby, Miss Mary.....	2 42
Lawrence, Lawrence St., by Rev. W. E.	
Wolcott, for local French work.....	35 00
Leicester, Rochdale, Morris, Roger T., ten	
years old, by R. B. Eddy, for A. H.	
M. S.....	52
Malden, First, by Herbert Porter.....	129 25
Milton, Field, Mrs. E. E. V.....	10 00
Natick, First, by R. H. Randall, for Debt	
Newburyport, Belleville, by Rev. D. T.	50 00
Fiske, D.D., to const. Daniel S. Burley	
and Mrs. Eunice A. Williams L. Ms. of	
A. H. M. S.....	306 38
New Marlboro, return of excess in re-	
mittance.....	68 75
Norfolk, "Young People of Norfolk," by	
Wm. E. Mann.....	35 51
Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson.....	25 00
Rochester, North, by G. Randall.....	2 82
Salem, Union Service, by Rev. D. S.	
Clark, special, for local work.....	\$32 88
Somerville, West, Day St., by F. F. Phil-	
lips.....	9 00
Spencer, Ladies' Char. Society, by Miss	
Hattie Ellis.....	30 50
Springfield, Park, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs.	
L. Gulick, for Rev. James Hayes, Coal	
Bluff, Ind.....	5 82
Students' Miss. Soc. of French Prot.	
Coll, by Rev. C. E. Amaron.....	6 00
Stoughton, Sam'l Clapp, Interest.....	51 88
Waltham, French, Mrs. Sarah E.....	10 00
Trin. S. S., by Rev. B. M. Fullerton....	7 15
West Brookfield, by C. T. Huntington....	35 00
West Newbury, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by	
Miss M. L. Rogers, for Mrs. J. W.	
Pickett.....	5 00
West Stockbridge, Center, by Rev. W. W.	
Curtis.....	20 00
Winchester, First, by Eugene Tappan....	330 00
Woburn, First, by F. B. Richardson....	300 00
Ladies' Char. Soc., by M. C. Cotton, to	
const. Mrs. J. A. Garland a L. M.....	30 00
Woman's H. M. Association, by	
Miss A. A. Pickens, Asst. Treas.:	
Toward Salary of Mrs. N. F. Cob-	
leigh.....	\$20 00
Toward Salary of Rev. A. T.	
Lyman, Alexandria, So. Dak....	69 00
For French Prot. College, Spring-	
field, Mass.....	6 50
	95 50
Worcester, Plymouth, by E. W. Warren,	
to const. Chas. G. Reed and others to	
be named L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	124 00
Reed, Dwight, Balance of legacy.....	3,414 94

HOME MISSIONARY.....	\$5,971 70
	4 20
	\$5,975 90

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in June.

Cambridge, Shepard Memorial Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. S. L. Hall, three barrels.	\$110 00
Dorchester, Second, Ladies, by Miss M. B. Means, barrel and box.	120 50
Harvard, Woman's Benev. Soc., barrel	90 00
Hinsdale, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. C. J. Kittredge, hymn-books, two barrels, and freight.	151 05
Leicester, Ladies' Char. Soc., by Mrs. E. E. Loring, barrel and cash for distrib.	146 65
Lincoln, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Alice M. Pierce, two barrels.	199 30
Lowell, Kirk St., Ladies, by Adilene Patterson, barrel.	75 00
Marlboro, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. G. F. Nelson, barrel.	38 50
Middleboro, H. M. Circle, by C. T. Wood, barrel and freight.	102 81
Orange, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. W. M. Pomeroy, barrel and freight.	59 40
Roxbury, Immanuel, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. F. O. White, barrel.	100 00
Springfield, First, Benev. Soc., by Mrs. O. E. Pease, box of canned fruit.	12 84
Warren, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by M. L. Hastings, barrel and freight.	175 00
	\$1,381 05

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in May, 1891. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Big Rock, Mrs. Dr. Long.	\$100 00
Canton.	35 00
Chicago, Mrs. J. G. Slafter.	5 00
Bethany.	9 00
Leavitt St.	7 88
South German.	4 35
Cobden, Mrs. Kate Beale.	5 00
Earlville, J. A. D.	25 00
Ottawa.	76 00
Shirland, of which Mrs. Deuel, \$2.	4 76
Streator, Welsh.	5 06

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E.

Maltby, Treas.	\$138 97
Chebanse.	5 50
Chicago, Leavitt St.	19 93
Warren Ave.	3 00
Emington.	5 50
Illini.	4 50
Lee Center.	1 00
Lombard.	12 00
Moline.	17 30
Oak Park.	35 50
Ottawa.	20 00
Payson.	3 50
Peoria, First.	25 00
Pittsfield, Mrs. C. A. Butler.	50 00
Quincy.	35 00
Sandwich.	5 10
Sheffield, of which Y. P. S. C.	
E., \$6.	12 50
Sterling.	8 50
Toulon.	14 28
Victoria.	10 27
Wheaton, Mrs. Webster.	2 00
	419 80

For the support of Evangelists.	159 78
Rev. C. F. Read, Chicago.	1 00
A. H. Junod, Pueblo, Colo.	25 00
Bequest of Mrs. Nancy M. Wells, Chicago	85 04
Bequest of Mrs. Elizabeth Churchill, Avon.	221 05
	\$1,188 16

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in June, 1891. WARD W. JACOBS, Treas.

Ashford, Westford, by Dea. C. W. Brett.	\$3 25
Branford, by L. J. Nichols, \$11.17; for A. H. M. S., \$11.17; by H. G. Harrison, personal, \$5; for A. H. M. S., \$5.	32 34
Bridgeport, Second, by O. H. Brothwell.	44 35
Darien, by M. S. Mather.	42 80
Derby, Birmingham, by James Ewen.	45 00
Farlington, First, by Richard H. Gay.	100 00
Greenwich, No. Greenwich, by B. Close.	25 50
Hartford, Pearl Street, by William A. Willard, for A. H. M. S.	96 15
Hartland, West Hartland, by H. L. Wilcox.	6 00
New Britain, South, for A. H. M. S., by William H. Hart, to const. the following L. Ms.: Robbins Fleming, William A. House, John B. Smith, and Miss Elizabeth R. Eastman, all of New Britain.	227 11
New Haven, Ferry Street, by Rev. M. S. Phillips.	2 00
United, by W. J. Weld.	165 80
Plymouth, First, by F. M. Blakeslee.	27 00
Ridgfield, First, by John F. Holmes.	38 57
Salem, by Rev. William A. Fobes.	20 00
Southington, Plantsville, by E. P. Hotchkiss.	93 31
Sprague, Hanover, by Rev. L. H. Higgins.	49 00
Thomaston, by P. Darrow.	13 30
Vernon, Rockville Union, by H. L. James, together with previous contributions, to const. Lester D. Phelps, John Symonds, John G. Bailey, Lorenzo Webster, Frederick Gilnack, James Thomas, Rev. James Dingwell, Mrs. Esther L. Adams, and Mrs. Celia E. Prescott, all of Rockville, Ct., L. Ms.	440 71
Washington, New Preston, Rev. Henry Upson, personal.	5 00
Wethersfield, by S. F. Willard.	96 18
	\$1,564 87

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in April, 1891. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Algona.	\$1 55
Allison, \$6; Thank-offering, \$-3.	39 00
Almoral, add'l.	2 65
Alwa.	14 50
Ames, \$91.20; special, \$11.25.	102 45
Anamosa.	31 15
Anita.	50 00
Atlantic.	9 00
Aurelia.	3 12
Avoca.	20 72
Basnett.	3 45
Baxter.	29 20
Beacon.	9 00
Bear Grove.	14 40
Bethel.	5 00
Big Rock.	8 45
Burlington.	19 50
Center, Thank-offering.	6 80
Chapin.	7 25
Chester Center, \$7; special, \$5.	12 00
Chickasaw.	95
Cincinnati.	17 50
Clarion.	9 05
Clay.	21 50
Clear Lake.	5 00
Council Bluffs.	10 21

Cromwell.....	\$20 72	Peterson.....	\$5 00
Danville.....	15 75	Prairie City.....	10 00
Davenport, Edwards.....	208 00	Preston.....	12 00
German.....	10 00	Pringhar.....	5 00
Denmark.....	33 00	Quasqueton.....	17 64
Des Moines, North Park.....	9 00	Reinbeck.....	21 50
Doon.....	8 25	Rockford, special.....	10 00
Dubuque.....	76 80	Rockwell.....	30 00
Summit.....	20 00	Rock Rapids.....	25 00
Ger. Friend. Soc.....	5 00	Rodney.....	2 10
Dunlap.....	17 20	Rowen.....	21 72
Durango.....	6 50	Salem.....	12 01
Eagle Grove.....	19 51	Shelby, Ger.....	75 00
Earlville.....	15 00	Sherrill's Mound.....	6 50
Eddyville.....	7 00	Sioux City, German.....	5 00
Elkhorn, out-station.....	3 00	Mayflower.....	8 00
Elma.....	9 90	Pilgrim.....	10 70
Everly.....	1 60	Sioux Rapids.....	10 00
Exira.....	14 07	Sloan, special.....	5 00
Fairfax.....	16 13	Smithland.....	1 88
Fairfield.....	18 45	Spencer.....	31 50
Fayette.....	10 00	Storm Lake.....	47 90
Fontanelle.....	13 00	Tabor.....	45 15
Fort Dodge.....	32 51	Talmage.....	10 00
Franklin.....	2 65	Toledo, \$24.13; Thank-offering, \$11.....	35 13
Galt.....	8 28	Warren.....	11 25
Garden Prairie.....	22 00	Washta.....	4 81
Genoa Bluff.....	13 25	Waucoma.....	14 00
Gilman, Young People.....	1 00	Waverly.....	50 06
Gomer.....	5 00	Webster.....	10 00
Good Hope.....	3 00	Webster City.....	35 00
Gowrie.....	15 35	West Burlington.....	6 00
Grand River.....	5 25	Winthrop.....	4 15
Green Mountain.....	5 00		
Grinnell.....	19 75	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.....	
Harlan, Thank-offering.....	29 40	Allison, Easter-offering.....	1 50
Hastings.....	5 79	Alton.....	2 59
Hawarden.....	11 50	Ames, Birthday-offering for Bohemian work.....	
Hebron.....	8 30	Anamosa.....	12 50
Hickory Grove.....	21 00	Aurelia.....	5 30
Hudson.....	17 50	Charles City.....	34 05
Ionla.....	7 23	Davenport, Edwards.....	10 20
Iowa City.....	69 59	Denmark.....	7 00
Jewell.....	20 00	Des Moines, North Park.....	5 55
Kelley.....	7 00	Plymouth.....	42 00
Kellogg.....	7 55	De Witt.....	2 43
Keokuk, \$57; Swedish, \$2.75.....	69 75	Earlville.....	5 00
Kingsley.....	5 32	Eldon.....	5 00
Lakeside, North, special.....	5 25	Emmetsburg.....	10 00
South.....	3 00	Exira.....	3 88
Larchwood, special.....	8 02	Fontanelle.....	3 50
Le Mars.....	11 00	Fort Dodge.....	10 00
Lincoln.....	12 25	Genoa Bluff.....	1 85
Luzerne.....	3 00	Garden Prairie.....	4 00
Madison Co., First.....	8 44	Glenwood.....	5 22
Magnolia.....	35 00	Gowrie.....	2 40
Manchester.....	108 94	Hawarden.....	3 00
Manson, Thank-offering.....	12 75	Ionla, special.....	6 42
Maquoketa.....	32 18	Kellogg.....	5 00
Marshalltown.....	18 67	Lawler.....	4 00
Mason City.....	55 16	Manchester.....	5 71
Miles, \$50.35; special, \$5.....	55 35	Manson.....	3 76
Milford.....	10 00	Monona.....	2 00
Minden, German.....	48 46	Monticello, special.....	5 00
Mitchell.....	50 00	Montour.....	5 00
Mitchellville.....	39 75	Muscatine, \$10; Mission, \$5.....	15 00
Monona.....	26 02	New Hampton.....	4 83
Moville.....	25 00	Onawa.....	6 00
Mt. Pleasant.....	8 00	Oskaloosa.....	7 70
Muscatine.....	169 20	Ottumwa.....	11 00
Nevinville.....	34 36	Pilgrim, Birthday-offering.....	2 00
Newell.....	13 50	Red Oak, S. S. class, in memory of Carl Beaman and Willie Hersman.....	6 00
New Hampton.....	12 62	Reinbeck.....	20 42
Newton.....	37 83	Sherrills Mound, German.....	2 00
New York.....	25 00	Sioux City, Mayflower.....	4 50
Nora Springs, \$5; special, \$5.....	10 00	Warren.....	4 00
Ogden.....	5 00		
Onawa, special.....	5 00		
Orchard, special.....	5 00		
Osage.....	25 00		
Oskaloosa.....	129 75	Y. P. S. C. E.....	
Otho.....	20 00	Belle Plaine.....	\$0 34
Ottumwa, Second.....	13 75	Charles City.....	15 00
Perry.....	50 00	Junior, special.....	5 00
		Cromwell.....	5 00

Des Moines, North Park.....	\$10 00	Postville, F. W. Roberts.....	\$5 00
Plymouth.....	6 00	Rev. N. Burton, special.....	5 00
De Witt.....	1 15	Hall, Roberts, special.....	5 00
Dunlap.....	5 00	Riceville, C. D. Cutting.....	5 00
Earlville, \$20; Junior, \$5.....	25 00	Rockford, Friends.....	5 00
Extra.....	1 45	Rockwell, Mrs. C. R. Felthous, \$25 for	
Grinnell.....	25 00	German work, \$50; G. B. Rockwell, \$5.	55 00
Hampton, \$5; Junior, \$5.....	10 00	Silver Creek, Rev. Mr. Reed.....	6 00
Monona.....	1 25	Sioux City, Rev. M. W. Darling.....	5 00
Miles.....	5 00	Tipton, Henry Britcher.....	10 00
Ogden.....	5 00	Traer, Friends, special.....	5 00
Percival.....	7 00	Victor, Mrs. Carey, special, 50cts.; Mrs.	
Red Oak, for Carl Beaman's Purse.....	11 55	Keller, special, \$1; Mr. Copley, special,	
Stuart.....	5 00	50cts.; Addie Yattan, special, 50cts.;	
Tabor, Junior.....	10 00	Emma Richards, special, 50cts.; Mrs.	
Waucoma.....	5 00	Keer, special, \$1; M. Patrick, special,	
		25cts.; Mrs. Capper, special, 25cts.; Mrs.	
		Harper, special, 50cts.; Mrs. Phillips,	
		special, 50cts.....	5 50
		Webster, L. L. Estes.....	20 00
		"A business man,".....	5 00
PERSONAL.		Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J.	
Alden, L. Burnham.....	\$45 00	Nichoson, Treas.:.....	
Algona, Mrs. M. H. Carter, \$5; D. D.		Ames, W. M. S., Bohemian work.....	\$9 00
Townsend, \$2.25.....	7 25	Belle Plaine.....	6 60
Allison, Rev. H. C. Calhoun.....	5 00	Bellevue, L. M. S.....	4 95
Anita, Mrs. Peter Lattig.....	10 00	Big Rock.....	5 00
Bancroft, Mrs. S. A. Littlefield.....	1 00	Boone, Mrs. B. C. Tillitt.....	1 00
Belle Plaine, Rev. R. Stapleton, \$5; Mrs.		Burlington.....	9 00
D. W. Read, \$5; E. E. Hughes, \$5.....	15 00	Mrs. Caroline A. Rand.....	25 00
Blairstown, J. H. French.....	10 00	Cass.....	7 46
Boone, B. C. Tillitt.....	5 00	Cedar Rapids, Busy Bees.....	3 00
Cherokee, R. H. Scribner.....	5 00	Central City.....	9 00
Cincinnati, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell.....	10 00	Cherokee, W. M. S.....	10 00
Clinton, E. L. Kenyon.....	5 00	Mrs. J. P. Dickev.....	50 00
Corning, Rev. A. M. Beaman.....	5 00	Clinton, Ladies' Indus. Soc.....	50 00
Carl Beaman's Purse.....	9 50	College Springs.....	10 00
F. M. Davis.....	10 00	Corning, W. M. S., Easter-offg.....	12 50
Cromwell, Rev. W. C. Hicks.....	7 50	Y. P. M. S.....	3 00
Des Moines, M. H. Smith, \$5; W. B. Ben-		Decorah, W. M. S.....	30 00
ty, \$100; Dr. A. Frisbie, \$5.....	110 00	Denmark, L. H. M. S.....	7 50
Pilgrim, V. P. Twombly, \$2; Rev. A.		Des Moines, Plymouth.....	58 11
D. Kinzer, \$3; John Milne, \$1.....	6 00	Dubuque, L. M. S., Easter-offg.....	2 50
Dubuque, J. S. Lewis, \$5; R. Clarke, \$6..	11 00	Dunlap.....	40 00
Dunlap, Dr. Patterson, \$5; L. Kellogg,		Eagle Grove, W. M. S.....	1 15
\$5.....	10 00	Eldora, L. M. S.....	20 00
Earlville, personal, \$25; Rev. L. W. Wins-		Farragut, W. M. S.....	10 00
low, \$5.....	30 00	Green Mountain, L. M. S.....	20 75
Edgewood, Mr. and Mrs. Platt.....	5 00	Grinnell, W. H. M. U.....	35 32
Fairfield, Edward Davies.....	5 00	Easter-offg.....	37 10
Fayette, Rev. Robt. Mumby.....	5 00	Ladies' Benev. Soc.....	10 00
Gardner, Rev. Carl Hess, \$5; Lizzie		Ladies' Social.....	50 00
Hess, 50c.....	8 50	Mrs. J. P. Lyman.....	5 00
Gilman, Helen G. Danskin, \$1; Rev. A.		Harlan, L. M. S.....	2 77
S. Houston, \$3.....	4 00	Hampton, W. M. S.....	10 00
Grinnell, Rev. H. M. Skeels, \$15; T. O.		Hawarden, W. H. M. U.....	5 00
Douglass, \$15; C. A. Towle, \$5; H. H.		Hudson, Cheerful Workers' Soc.....	10 00
Robbins, \$5; R. W. Hughes, \$5; Dr. S.		Independence, Mrs. W. S. Potwin	1 00
A. Cravath, \$5; Mrs. J. B. Grinnell, \$5;		Iowa City, W. H. M. U.....	43 00
S. F. Cooper, \$5; H. G. Little, \$5; Prof.		Beth, S. S., Easter-offg.....	8 50
J. Macy, \$5; Prof. S. J. Buck, \$5; E. R.		Y. P. M. S.....	1 75
Potter, \$5; H. P. Proctor, \$2.50; A. R.		Iowa Falls, L. M. S.....	8 10
Heald, \$2.50; C. F. Childs, \$2.50;		Kellogg, L. H. M. S.....	9 05
Friends, special, \$25.....	112 50	Keokuk, W. M. S.....	32 75
Ionia, Rev. N. L. Packard, \$1.55; Friends,		Le Mars, W. H. M. U.....	9 40
\$5.....	6 55	Easter-offering.....	36 34
Iowa City, Rev. John Musil, \$8; Mrs.		Magnolia, W. H. M. U.....	1 50
Prof. Andrews, \$1.....	9 00	Manchester.....	17 65
Iowa Falls, Robert Wright, special.....	10 00	L. M. S., special offering.....	15 00
Keokuk, Rev. J. Wenstrand.....	2 25	Marshalltown, W. M. S.....	20 00
Lincoln, Master Myron Farnsworth.....	1 00	Mason City, W. M. U.....	6 10
Lyons, J. H. Barnum, special.....	5 00	McGregor, L. M. S.....	6 65
Magnolia, Dr. J. H. Rice.....	2 00	Mitchellville, L. M. S.....	3 41
McGregor, Rev. C. A. Marshall, \$5; Mrs.		Monticello, W. M. U.....	27 50
E. P. Daniels, \$5; Mr. and Mrs. J. N.		Mount Pleasant, L. B. S.....	7 60
Gilchrist, \$10; J. H. Ellsworth, \$15.....	35 00	New Hampton.....	15 75
Meriden, G. W. Prescott.....	5 00	Oakland, L. M. S.....	22 25
Monticello, Isaac Russell.....	5 00	Church.....	3 75
Montour, Friends.....	26 70	Old Man's Creek, H. and F. M. S.....	3 20
Mr. Pleasant, Rev. O. W. Rogers.....	5 00	Onawa, L. M. S.....	13 08
Newell, S. A. Parker, special.....	10 00	Osage, W. M. S.....	4 40
Odebolt, Mrs. E. Bagwill.....	4 00	Ottumwa, W. H. M. U.....	33 60
Ogden, A Friend.....	5 00	Percival, Mrs. H. E. Hawley.....	5 35
Onawa, W. H. Bridge, special.....	5 00		
Osage, Jas. A. Smith, special.....	10 00		
Philippopolis, Bulgaria, Rev. Geo. D.			
Marsh.....	10 00		
Pilgrim, Rev. J. R. Beard.....	3 00		

Preston, L. M. S.	\$10 00
Red Oak, W. M. S., Easter-offg.	17 00
W. I. C.	10 00
Rockford, L. M. S.	3 07
Sabula, Life Preservers	2 00
Mrs. H. H. Wood	5 00
Salem, L. M. S.	5 00
Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Mrs. J. S. Midrum	5 00
Shenandoah, L. M. S.	5 25
Sioux City, W. M. S.	25 70
Sioux Rapids, L. M. S.	12 86
Spencer, L. M. S.	10 00
Storm Lake, W. M. S.	5 00
Tabor, L. H. M. S.	15 00
Toledo, W. H. and F. M. S.	1 42
Traer	18 15
Warren	10 00
Waterloo	23 00
Waucoma, L. M. S.	10 00
Webster City, W. H. M. S.	10 00
Wells, Madison Co., First, L. M. S.	3 00
A Friend	50
Unspecified Funds	89 00

\$1,218 77

\$5,571 05

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in
May, 1891. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Alden	\$0 50
Atlantic	6 50
Avoca, German	4 00
Clay	5 25
Golden Prairie	55 00
Grinnell, Y. P. S. C. E.	5 00
Harlan, Thank offering	12 10
Logan	10 00
Magnolia	4 50
Mason City	11 50

Nashua, Y. P. S. C. E.	\$6 35
Rock Rapids, Y. P. S. C. E.	2 00
Shenandoah	5 00
Alden, Dea. E. Rogers	\$5 00
Brighton, H. Ingham	5 00
Cherokee, R. H. Scribner	45 00
Downey, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Goodrich	10 00
Fulton, N. Y., Rev. A. E. Mosher	2 00
Oldfield, Asa Turner and wife	5 00
Webster, A. H. Stephenson	5 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J.

Nicholson, Treas.	
Cresco	\$1 00
Danville, W. M. S.	8 00
Denmark, L. H. M. S.	2 50
Thank-offering	30 50
Kalo, Mrs. G. D. Hart	1 00
Lansing Ridge, W. M. S.	6 00
Sioux City, W. M. S. of First	11 60
	60 00
	\$264 70

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged	\$38,252 99
Colorado, Denver	50 00
Massachusetts, W. H. M. A.	200 00
Michigan, Grand Blanc	2 23
New Jersey, Montclair	137 59
New York, Bro. Klyn.	100 00
Pennsylvania, Philadelphia	68 67
Vermont, Barre, \$5; Burlington, \$10; Greensboro, \$6.30; Pittsford, \$5; Sax- ton's River, \$5.	31 30
	\$38,842 69

TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS

OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1891, TO JULY 1, 1891.

	A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*		A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*
New Hampshire	\$450 75		Indiana	\$46 25	
Minnesota	1,349 27		Southern California	45 55	
Massachusetts			Vermont	751 87	
Rhode Island	878 57		Colorado		
Maine	1,258 31		Wyoming	335 85	
Michigan	471 61		Georgia		
Kansas	96 86		Alabama		
Ohio	330 50		Mississippi		
New York	973 11		Louisiana	1 00	
Wisconsin	131 32		Arkansas		
North Dakota	5 69		Kentucky		
Oregon	50 00		Tennessee		
Washington			North Carolina		
Northern Idaho	74 15		Texas		
South Dakota	15 36		Montana	58 50	
Connecticut	942 50		Pennsylvania		
Missouri	117 91		Oklahoma		
Illinois	419 30		New Jersey		
Iowa	1,278 77		Dist. Columbia	256 17	
California			Maryland		
Nebraska	17 38		Virginia		
Florida	175 00		Utah		
			Total	\$9,422 20	

* This column is to show amounts, as reported to the Woman's Dept., contributed by W. H. M. auxiliaries in struggling churches to help pay the pastor's salary, but not credited to any organization.

Woman's State H. M. Organizations.

OFFICERS.

1.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION,

Organized August, 1804.

AND

HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.*Secretary*, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.*Treasurer*, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2.

MINNESOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized September, 1872.

President, Miss Katherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.*Secretary*, Miss Catherine T. Plant, 2651 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis.*Treasurer*, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.*

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,

Organized February, 1880.

President, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.*Secretary*, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.*Treasurer*, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

4.

MAINE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,

Organized June, 1880.

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.*Secretary*, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 163 Hammond St., Bangor.*Treasurer*, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St. Bangor.

5.

MICHIGAN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1881.

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexandrine Ave., Detroit.*Secretary*, Mrs. Leroy Warren, Olivet.*Treasurer*, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

6.

KANSAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1881.

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.*Secretary*, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.*Treasurer*, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

7.

OHIO.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1882.

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St. Cleveland.*Secretary*, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.*Treasurer*, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

8.

NEW YORK.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 488 Greene Ave., Brooklyn.*Secretary*, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St., Syracuse.*Treasurer*, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, 59 Bible House, New York City.

9.

WISCONSIN.

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Organized October, 1883.

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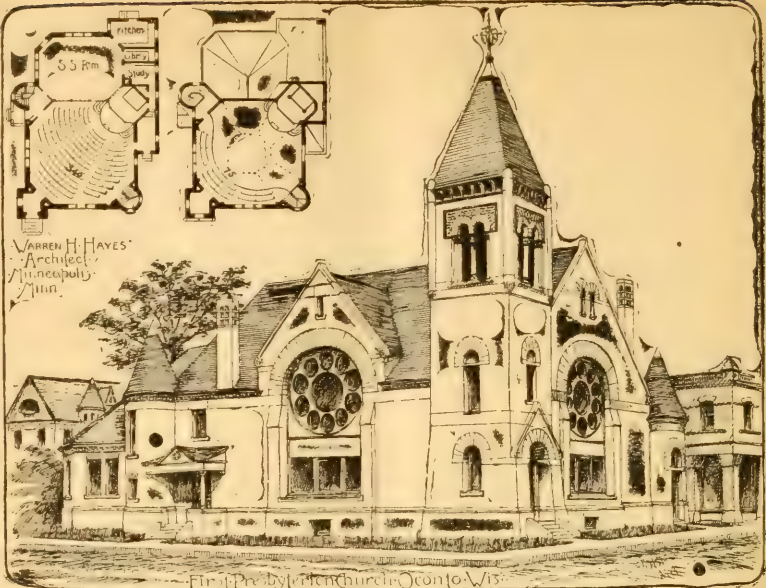
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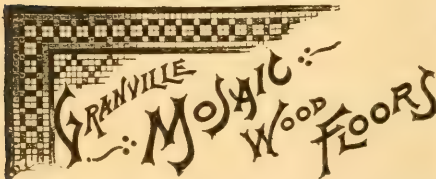
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AN ADDRESS

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In presenting the report on Secretary Clark's paper, I have been asked to add a few words as a western man. I am reminded of a remark made in my hearing when I came from Connecticut to Colorado. In publicly welcoming me to my new parish, a brother minister encouragingly said, "One of the best of God's creatures is a Yankee who has been enlarged by coming West." We have strong Scriptural warrant for this idea that it does a man good to go west. I trust it has not escaped your observation that when Adam, for his sin, was driven out of Paradise he was sent east, and the Cherubim and flaming sword were set to guard the east gate of the garden, clearly implying, you see, that the tree of life and all good things lay *westward*. When Abraham was called to be the father of the faithful, you remember he was called west. You recollect that when the Apostle Paul got fairly into his work he felt that *he* must go west. When he had preached some years in Greece he said, "I must also see Rome," and when he had been to Rome credible tradition states that he went farther west to Spain, and still farther west to Great Britain. After he had been west some time, you remember he wrote some of his old parishioners: "Brethren, our mouth is open unto you, our heart is enlarged. Now for a recompense in like kind, be ye also enlarged." It is an enlarging thing to go west, and I am glad that I am privileged as an eastern man who has been west, to come up to this national gathering with St. Paul's feeling in my heart and St. Paul's message upon my lips, saying, "Brethren, our mouth is open unto you, our heart is enlarged. Now for a recompense in like kind, be ye also enlarged."

As I listened yesterday to the glorious retrospect and glowing prophecy of Secretary Clark's paper on The Closing Decade, it was borne in upon me that there were three lines along which the hearts of our people, and especially of our people at the East, need to be enlarged.

First, we all need, ministers and people alike, to have our conceptions of the magnitude and imperativeness of this home missionary work vastly enlarged.

The rapidity and extent of the growth of our Western States in population, in resources, and dominant influence upon the national life *beggar description*. In twice ten years Denver has grown from 4,000 to 120,000 people. Twenty years more will see her possessed of at least half a million. In ten years Tacoma has increased from a population of 1,000 to a population of 36,000; and Tacoma is only one of several giant young

cities which have lately sprung up on our north Pacific coast. In thirty years, our brother Scofield tells us, Texas will have a population of 25,000,000.

Such a confederation of empires is being reared west of the Mississippi as the world never has seen. The South also is rousing herself to emulate the West. You in the East *hear* but you do *not feel* and *realize* what is going on in these Western and Southern States. The only way to be touched to the heart by this mighty tidal wave of progress is to be in it, at least for a little time, and to be swept along in its tumultuous and resistless surge. The future of humanity rests in the hands that are toiling to-day west of the Alleghanies, building up the fabric of the mightiest empire the sun ever shone upon. We must teach these hands to fold in prayer and to open wide as almoners of the great riches God is laying in them, or all the world will suffer for our neglect.

One practical suggestion: In my church at Colorado Springs I take, every year, by the hand scores of Christian laymen who are crossing the continent from the Atlantic to the Pacific and are learning, as they can learn in no other way, what a heritage is this vast and fruitful land of ours and what burden is laid upon us that we may make it Immanuel's land. I greet many laymen, but I wish I could greet more ministers. Brethren, go to Europe first, if you must; I know what charm there is in the restfulness of the voyage and in the lands beyond the sea. But don't go to Europe a second time, I beg you, till you have seen your own land at least as far as Colorado and Texas. In Europe we may see what man has done. West of the Mississippi you may see what man is going to do; that is more inspiring. Be no longer derelict in duty to your own land and to your own people. You may come up year by year to Saratoga and sit and listen to the eloquent words which are spoken here, but you cannot realize and intensely feel the needs and opportunities of this American Home Missionary Society in its western work until you yourself stand in the midst of these needs and opportunities. I repeat the apostle's cry of sharp and almost indignant protest: "Brethren, ye are straitened in your affections. Be ye enlarged." Some of you generous laymen of wealth could not better serve the cause of Home Missions than by sending your minister next spring, not to Europe, but over the route that President Harrison, with political sagacity, has just traversed. Such a journey will enlarge your minister's heart and the hearts of his people in the cause of Home Missions.

Again, my brothers and sisters, there ought to be a great enlargement in the amount of money which we are giving to this work. Born as I was under the shadow of Bunker Hill Monument, my heart beat with pride yesterday when Secretary Coit told how one third of all the money that goes into the treasury of this Society comes from dear old Massa-

chusetts. God bless her! Long ago Increase Mather said of Boston: "For charity, he might indeed speak it without flattery, this town hath not many equals on the face of the earth." Blessed Boston! I always liked the story of the Boston girl who, taking a morning walk out from the limits of the city, encountered a milestone. It bore an inscription as follows: "1 M. from Boston." But the young lady mistook the slab for a tombstone and the inscription for an epitaph, and she read it, "I'm from Boston." The tears gathered in her eyes. "How simple," she said, "but how sufficient!"

Now, my friends, what we need is to have the Bostonian spirit of munificence diffused abroad through all our churches. The hardest thing we have to do in our home missionary committee meetings in Colorado (the committees from other States will say the same) is to deny the Gospel to those who stretch out their hands for it in eager desire. For we know from experience what the Gospel of Jesus Christ will do for a community where it finds entrance and is preached with power. I know a mining town in Colorado where for ten years there was no church and where vice reigned supreme. Our Home Missionary Society went in there three years ago. To-day that town has a church of fifty-four members, an attractive edifice, pays its minister \$1,800, and from the start has received no pecuniary aid from the Home Missionary Society. So is the Gospel of the Son of God sometimes welcomed in the most unlikely places. But this church is, of course, an exceptional instance. In most places the new churches are weak and struggling, and require help for some years in order to get upon their feet. And you people at the East must help them. And here let me say a word in reply to the question which is sometimes asked:

"If you are growing rich so fast out there, why don't you care for your own home missionary work and not ask help from us in the East?"

A frank question deserving a frank answer. We need your help for two reasons: First, the development of the agricultural, mineral, industrial resources of these new countries pushes on so tremendously that as fast as men make money it goes almost irresistibly into new enterprises of development. There is a score of investments open and clamoring for every dollar of every man's fortune. We are doing along all lines in Colorado in twenty years what in New England has taken 250 years to do, and more; and the calls upon men for money to be used in schemes of material development are overwhelming. Then the men of largest wealth who might, were they so disposed, be the most liberal givers, as a rule in a new country are the old-timers who came out when churches were few and who are irreligious men and not interested in the preaching of the Gospel and the planting of churches. We are in much the same predicament as the young fellow who had loafed and lived on his friends for

years, until at last, to everybody's surprise and relief, he married a rich girl. Somebody who had suffered a good deal from him met him soon afterward and said, "Well, Jack, I congratulate you. I understand you have married a woman with an independent fortune." "Well, no!" answered Jack, sadly, "that isn't it. I've married a fortune with an independent woman!" So with us in Colorado. There is a good deal of wealth in the State to be sure, but most of it, unfortunately, is where we can't get it for Home Missions. But things are improving in that respect. I rejoiced in that statement of Dr. Clark's paper that the purely home missionary churches beyond the Mississippi have doubled their contributions in the last five years. The money you pour into the treasury of this Society is not wasted. It comes back. Often the investments of this Society, viewed merely from the money standpoint, have proved investments of which the shrewdest financier might be proud. So let us enlarge our benefactions, for they pay richly in earthly wealth and still more richly in the treasure which moth and rust cannot corrupt and thieves cannot break through and steal.

Finally, this work most of all requires enlargement as regards the number and character of the men sent into it. We need more men from our own ranks. Half our failures are in fields to which we are compelled to send men usually of an inferior grade who come to us from other denominations. As Dr. Packard wisely and eloquently plead on this platform a year ago: "We ought, as a denomination, 'to be virile enough to propagate our own kind.'" Shame to us that we are not. I believe the failure is largely the fault of our ministers in that they do not pick out the young men in their churches who are apt for the ministry and encourage and guide them into it.

We need not only *more* men but *better* men; not necessarily brilliant preachers, but men of sense and force and genuineness and spiritual fervor. Our denomination peculiarly needs such men. For there is no ecclesiastical system in which the machine counts for so little and the man counts for so much. The glory of Congregationalism is that it gives manhood free play. Here is an opportunity which ought to attract the best men in our colleges. I am glad to think that it *is* attracting the best men. No better men graduate from our colleges than the men who went in the Yale Band to Washington last year. I look eagerly for more such bands from Yale and from the other seminaries. The great and enduring work of the Illinois Band and of the Iowa Band have amply vindicated the wisdom of that policy. I speak, I presume, to some young men who are now in our seminaries. I pray you, devote yourselves for at least two or three years to this home missionary service. It is a rare discipline to begin at the bottom and lay foundations; to work under the powerful stimulus of a rapidly developing civilization among the most

virile men in America. Nowhere can you study human nature better than in a Colorado mining camp, or in a far western town where men do not put on appearances when the minister comes round, but frankly show themselves as they are. Come then, young men, and be builders of empires yet to be; and while you are building the empire, the empire will be building you. For the most quickening work is not to sustain the old but to create the new. Come, then, where the spiritual need is greatest and the spiritual responsiveness quickest and the rewards of labor most abundant. Behold as Paul beheld the vision of a man standing in the west and saying: "Come over and help us." Come! I pray you, for the laborers are few and the fields are white to the harvest. Come! for the call is of God.

On the wall of the grand memorial pile at Cambridge, which commemorates the young heroes of Harvard University who, in the great civil strife, laid down their fown lives that the nation might live, stands written this inscription: "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." Young men, who have devoted yourselves not unto dying but unto living for the eternal salvation of men, let this be the radiance of the way in which, sustained by the grace of Christ, you shall go: "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever."

And now let us close as we began with this thought of enlargement in all our work. The history of God's kingdom from the beginning has been a history of enlargement. Far back in the early time came the prophecy: "God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem." Fulfilling that promise, Socrates and Plato and Aristotle enlarged the horizons of the human mind. Rome made highways for the coming of Christ and prepared by her civilization the way for the spread of his kingdom; the mediæval glory of the Church of Christ became vaster and grander than the glory of the Roman empire, for it was a spiritual glory. The Renaissance, the Discovery of America, the American and French Revolutions, all these events have brought ever increasing enlargement to the human spirit. In this nineteenth century steam and electricity have fulfilled as never before the vision of St. Augustine, and made of the whole earth one compact City of God. In our day it has been made clearer than ever that

"Thro' the ages one increasing purpose runs,
And the thoughts of men are widened with the process of the suns."

In this decade of all decades, this closing decade of the nineteenth century, what can this strong and honored Society of ours do but vastly enlarge its work?

The grace to do this can come only from God. "Lord, we will run the way of thy commandments when thou shalt enlarge our hearts."

A NEW FIELD AT HOME.

BY A HOME MISSIONARY.

THE report, for the port of New York, of Weber, Superintendent of Immigration for the year ending June 30, reveals two facts worthy of mention :

First. The remarkable increase in the number of Jewish immigrants. The German immigration for the decade 1880 to 1890 has been on the average double that of any other. Judging from this report it seems probable that the Hebrew immigration for the calendar year 1891 will exceed that of the German.

Second. That such a large proportion of all the immigrants should settle in and near New York City. This is especially true of the Jews. They do not take readily to manual labor on the farms, preferring to engage in some kind of business, even if, as is often the case, their entire stock in trade can be swung on the back and carried with ease.

A colony of these people, now numbering three or four thousand, is settling in Brooklyn. Their poverty and ignorance and filth rank them among the poorest of our immigrant classes. The phrase "rich as a Jew" does not apply to them. They may be able to read the "Torah," but nineteenth century education has not touched them. The ceremonial law of purification may be observed in letter, but it does not cleanse in spirit—nor in flesh.

Used only to the cruelty of Russian political oppression or to the equally hard oppression of the "sweating" system since their arrival in New York, they come to this community of which I write with no very strong love for the Gentile.

The Jews are here, and here to stay. What shall be our attitude toward them? Shall we let land speculators and roughs and agents of the "sweaters" give them the idea that they have fallen into a den of thieves, and thus deepen the prejudice and suspicion with which they regard us? Or shall we, as Christians, recognizing that they are soon to become citizens of our country, and seeing in them also souls for whom Christ has died, give them a hearty welcome, and try to win them to him?

There is a Congregational church located in the center of this settlement, and it seems to fall to our denomination not only to assist these people to the right enjoyment of their political liberty, but also to bring them from bondage to the Law to the freedom of the Gospel. Unfortunately, this church is without a pastor, and unable by itself to meet the responsibility which has been placed upon it.

Is there not a way whereby this needy people can be Americanized and Christianized? Is it not the duty of the Christians in this "city of churches" to discover this way and employ it?

OUR DUTY TO THE CITY WORK.

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THE answer to the question whether we can Christianize America depends on the answer to that other question, Can we Christianize the cities? When Nineveh and Babylon fell the Assyrian and Babylonian and Medo-Persian empires were at an end. When Rome was conquered old Italy had ceased to be. When Richmond was evacuated there was no longer a Southern Confederacy. When we have conquered the great cities for Christ this will be his land; and, as in the cases cited, they are the last points of systematic attack. It is a herculean task, but it must be done. Let us look at some of the reasons.

First, it will pay the best interest on the investment. Our Superintendent for Southern California omitted some things when he spoke. Four years ago they had a boom through all that region. A gentleman on the principal street of Los Angeles was asked at that time what the corner lot on the other side was worth. He replied that his brother had owned it, and refused many offers for it, until it reached \$5,500 a front foot, and his conscience would not let him take any more. You could buy that lot at a much lower figure to-day, and many who own ranches there are allowing people to occupy them at a nominal rent in order to save the fruit trees. A boom is a creature of regular habits; it obeys the law that there is no flood tide but has its ebb; consequently our energetic and zealous Superintendent from Washington will pardon us if, when he tells us that the population is coming in there like grain piling up at the end of a shute, we express the fear that much of that grain will sift out. What is the "Area of Depression" mentioned in Secretary Kincaid's paper? It is Kansas, Nebraska and the Dakotas, over which we sang our hallelujahs when they were booming. In one or two years it will be Oklahoma, from which some of the wounded are already beginning to creep back to their old homes. We had the same experience in Northern Missouri a few years ago, and followed the incoming thousands as they settled along the line of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad, where there is land as rich as any in the United States. In a few years they followed the boom into Kansas, and we began organizing a lot of churches for them again, while we buried many of those we had started in Missouri. Now we learn that for five years these people have been moving

to Louisiana, and we are asked to go after them, and do it all over again. Riding into a State or Territory on the crest of a boom is as exhilarating as riding a board on the billows at the Sandwich Islands, but it is subject to the same dangers. You may slip off the board, and be gobbled up by sharks; you are very liable to be left by the receding wave, spluttering and bruised on the beach, and so mixed up with the board that it is difficult to determine your true relation to it or what to do with it. Such has been our experience. We have lost heavily in churches organized in this way in country places, while in the cities, in spite of changing population, our losses have been comparatively small; there churches can be placed near enough together to comfort each other, and if some people move away others are sure to take their places. Our Superintendent for Wisconsin states that while we have lost only one church in Milwaukee, we have lost about one hundred and fifty in the rest of the State. In Kansas we have lost about fifty churches, but not one in a city. In Missouri we have lost forty-six, but not one in St. Louis, nor one in Kansas City, save a small colored church that existed there for a year or two many years ago. If we were handling our own funds should we invest them where the results were most secure, or should we not? Shall we be less careful of God's money than of our own? I am not speaking against work in the country—God forbid that I should ever do that. We are not to do one particle less there, but a hundred-fold more in these great centers of population, where churches stay and soon become able to care for themselves. "These ought ye to have done, and not to have left the other undone."

Again, if we wish to be strong in the country, the way to it is by being strong in the city. Years ago, while we were organizing churches at the country cross-roads, and persistently trying to foster what we termed the New England idea, our Presbyterian brethren, with a great deal better sense and just as much consecration, were capturing the growing centers. The result, which might readily have been foreseen, is that to-day in many places they are far stronger than we in country churches. Scores of churches which we organized became Presbyterian simply because they needed the sympathy and fellowship of powerful churches; and these were in the city, and were Presbyterian. A Cumberland Presbyterian elder said recently to the secretary of one of our auxiliaries, "Our churches round here are all dying. We have acted foolishly; we have done all our organizing in the country, and we shall lose nearly all the fruits of our work." We have no more churches in Missouri to-day than we had ten years ago, but we have a great deal more church; we have twelve more churches in St. Louis that are sure to live, and five more in Kansas City, while we have lost the same number of churches in villages and in the country, in spite of all we could do to save them. They are

coming to St. Louis now from points fifty miles away, and begging us to help them organize, and we are doing it, and those churches are going to live, because they are clustered about a great commercial center, where we are strong.

Another reason for putting our work into the great cities is that there the forces of evil are strongest. If we do not fight them there we shall never conquer them at all. Those who come to us with pitiful stories of the missionaries on the frontier will excuse us if we who toil in cities do not grow enthusiastic at their recital. Every tale they tell us we can match with a stronger one from the heart of any city. Take a case in my own work. My church is in one of the best residence sections of a city of half a million people. Of course every one knows that the Census lied about us. A few days ago a lady came to my study to ask me to go and see a dying woman. I went, and found an old lady of seventy-three years, thin and pale, and evidently nigh unto death. I had just begun speaking a few words of comfort to her when her son rushed out of another room, the wretchedest looking specimen of humanity I have seen for many a year. His hair and whiskers tangled, one eye gone, his cheeks inflamed, his nose a rum blossom. Making a vulgar remark to the women present he burst out at me: "I know what you have come for; you are here to make a contract for her funeral, and you can never hold me by it." He cursed and raved until I threatened him if he did not stop, and then he dashed back into the other room and slammed the door. I read the fourteenth chapter of John, and then we sang "Jesus, lover of my soul." We had not finished the first line when he burst into the room again, ordering us to stop, raving and cursing and threatening us. We sang it through, and then he tried to argue. We started "Rock of Ages." During the first stanza he raved and swore; during the second he stood with his eye cast down; at the third he sank into a chair, and when we sang the fourth he joined in. We knelt to pray, and he dropped down beside us. That mother had been praying for years that he might be sober when she died. He was sober, for him, for three days. She died in his arms, and he has since been to church.

I am not going to enlarge on the horrors a pastor finds in his work in the city. As Thackeray says in his "Burlesques," "I only throw this out to show you what I might do in the way of description if I chose to undertake it." The great cities are full of the spirit of evil. Four years ago I started for the New Old South, in Boston, one Sunday afternoon, and as we went through Scollay Square forty men were at work relaying the street. We grow enthusiastic over the thought of 2,500,000 people scattered all over Texas, where they are like needles in a hay-mow—the same number within six miles of the Bible House, without proper gospel privileges, do not attract so much sympathy; but they are the ones

who most endanger our country. Some day we shall be horrified at the ghastly creatures, full of thirst for blood, that will pour out of the cellars, as they did during the draft riots. The newspapers are published in cities and thence go out the influences that are everywhere felt. If it be true that two thirds of our population are still outside the cities, their thoughts are being shaped by the one third that are in them.

I am reminded of a lady who tried a Christian scientist for her ailments; she felt better, but soon an eruption appeared on her face. The doctor said it was the measles. She called the attention of the Christian scientist to it, who cheerfully replied, "Yes, all the vileness in your blood will have to come to the surface." In the next few weeks she had the measles, and chicken pox, and mumps, and scarlet fever, and every other disease she had in her childhood. That is the way in the cities; all the vileness comes to the surface; every disease of the body politic breaks out there, and Christian science and every other nonsensicalism besides. Under such conditions you will pardon me if I state one truth very plainly. It is this: the outrage mill for the purpose of grinding out missionary funds is about played out, and will soon be classed among the curiosities of the past. We have got to stop using low motives; giving for this and all our other Societies will increase when we appeal as the Savior did to the highest moral motives. When we do this we shall also work hardest where the need is greatest. Was Paul mistaken when he sought such places as Ephesus, Philippi, Thessalonica, Athens, Corinth, and Rome? Was he not rather following a divinely revealed principle, that they who would do the best work must toil first at the center of evil and of influence?

The millionaires of the future are to be found there, and only there can we train and hold them to Christian giving. In looking over the leading business houses of St. Louis recently we were surprised to find in how large a number it was true that the head of the firm was an earnest, helpful, giving Christian. God has blessed them because they have honored him. But the relation of most of the millionaires, of whom we heard the other night, to the churches, is extremely shadowy. Occasionally one is giving grandly, but he is the exception; the greatest part of the giving is done by the great middle class—it always has been, and probably always will be. Millionaires, like all wild animals, must be caught young if you wish to tame them. A man who has made a million dollars, and has not learned the joy of giving, is a hopeless case.

We are paralyzed by these great aggregations of figures. They are so immense that we simply are amazed. I stood not many days ago in the sub-treasury vault in St. Louis: "Now," said my friend, the treasurer, "around and above you are \$23,000,000 in gold and silver coin." I could not grasp it. There was a pile of bright, clean, heavy, canvas

bags, but these meant nothing to me. A few days later a lady called and laid on my desk a check for \$100, for Drury College. I found no difficulty whatever in grasping that. I had a definite relation to it that brought it within my comprehension. Most of those who write on this subject are bothered by a procession; that awful procession through Castle Garden; those processions in the cities with red flags and anarchist mottoes; but who is influenced by a procession, except to stand and stare at it? You recollect that down in what is now Windham County, Conn., a great many years ago, an old she-wolf committed depredations among the flocks. The people had many devices for stopping her, but always when she was out, or, we might say, in a procession. One night she destroyed sixty or seventy sheep for Israel Putnam, and the next day he visited her in her home, and the whole question was settled there.

So it is with this problem of work upon the neglected classes in cities. The Savior never speaks of "the masses"—we do that—as if we could catch them as men seine mackerel; but he saw and spoke of the individual soul; and so must we. The only way to do this work is to do it. There is no problem about it; we have held the key to the situation all the time. When the Hoosac Tunnel was to be dug, years were wasted in efforts to devise some patent method to blow a hole through the mountain; but when at last they settled down to the idea that they must pound rock they did it, in the easiest and best way they could; but they did it. For us the method of Scripture is all that is needed.

First a man; sometimes better a woman; frequently best both. The individual soul seeking for other souls is effective now as it has always been; as effective in the city as in the country. We were lost at the thought of our 20,000 Bohemians. A graduate of the Bible Readers' School came to us. She went to the public school in the Bohemian district, and asked to see the Register; it was placed before her, and she copied all the Bohemian names and numbers. Then she began calling. Doors that would have been shut against us were open to her because she spoke their language. She called the children by name, and the mothers were delighted. The result is a Sunday-school of over two hundred children, as bright as any you ever saw; and how they do love to sing! And men who call themselves infidels are ready to come to church and hear the Gospel. A minister has just decided to come, and after a while we will tell you of our Bohemian Congregational Church. There is no difficulty in getting these workers. The graduates from our seminaries now are as consecrated as any have ever been; all they need is to be given direction. We have seen a young man from the seminary turn aside from all other work to plunge into the slums of a great city. For four weary years he has toiled until his brain reels and his whole nervous system breaks down. He dares not let his children play on the front

steps for fear of physical and moral contamination. Blasphemy and lewdness are borne in at his windows with the smell of stale beer and vile whiskey, and murders in the alley back of him are not infrequent. Yet he toils on, and his church of a hundred members has just been comfortably housed, and is as earnest and reliable as any in the city. We have recently seen another young man turn from a tempting professorship to take the joint pastorate of two little churches just started. There is no lack of consecration.

These workers must aim for an organized church. That was what the Savior planted, and that is what he blesses. Let us give up that foolish idea of running a mission. When the laboring man sees "Mission" over a door he passes by on the other side. He has as much right to say "my church" as has the millionaire, and we must help him do it. Any church that gets the idea of a great central organization surrounded by a lot of "missions" as feeders to it dwarfs its work for all time. The organized church is the only system on which it pays to build.

These toilers must have the active fellowship and sympathy of all the churches in the vicinage; that means the City Missiorary Society. We are the mightiest power on earth when we work together. If our churches in any city cannot join hands and pull together in such a work as this let them hide their heads in shame and admit that they are neither Congregational nor Christian. Congregationalism means fellowship just as much as it means autonomy. Independency in these times is treason to the Master.

Now, over all this, helping to shape it aright and alike in all our cities, should be the American Home Missionary Society, the mother of us all. Right here there is a missing link which must be found. The secretaries and the city pastors are all at work upon it; and when it is found and accepted, as it surely will be, the pastors of Boston and Brooklyn and Cleveland and St. Louis and St. Paul and Minneapolis and Chicago will not be so conspicuous by their absence from these meetings as they are to-day. The policy that in ten years has increased our churches in St. Louis from four to sixteen, and in Chicago from ten to forty-seven, is certainly worthy of careful study.

In closing, take note that the Bible, which begins in the country, ends in the city. In Genesis the tree of life is in a garden; in Revelations it has been transplanted to a city. In Genesis man has all of Mesopotamia to roam over. But John, on the barren rock of Patmos, which a few years ago had one scraggly palm tree, a place that never would suggest a city, tells us thus his vision: "And I saw the HOLY CITY, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband." And when he has described it, and given its dimensions, which certain mathematicians say are large

enough to hold all the people that ever have been or will be, he continues: "And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb, in the midst of the street thereof. And on this side of the river and on that was the tree of life, bearing twelve manner of fruits, yielding its fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations." Whatever this may mean for the glorious future of the Church, we must plainly see in it the sweet influences that go forth from a redeemed city to bless all the rest of the earth. And see how John closes his wonderful message: "Blessed are they that wash their robes, that they may have the right to come to the tree of life, and may enter in by the gates into the city."

A SUBTLE ENEMY.

"THERE is an enemy in the midst of you!" suddenly exclaimed Gladstone, in an eloquent address to Italian statesmen. The illustrious assembly, at this unlooked-for turn in his speech, were startled, and with amazed, inquiring looks turned to each other and whispered, "He means the Pope." But the great statesman did not mean the Pope. He meant another enemy which was sapping the foundation of the empire, and opposing the way of the Italians to higher and nobler destiny. The amazed and inquiring assembly asked, "Who can this enemy be if not the Pope?" "Would you know," said the orator, "the name of the enemy? His name is *Deficit*." This subtle enemy Deficit was killing the nation. It was impoverishing the people, and dragging the nation down to a lower rank among the civilized Christian nations of the earth.

This same enemy, whose name is DEFICIT, is the worst enemy to-day of missions. DEFICIT in the treasury of our Home Missionary Society is so serious that it is an enemy to every Home Missionary, an enemy to the spread of Christ's kingdom. It half starves our missionaries on the frontier. It burdens them with crushing debts, and so cripples their influence as ministers of Christ. It disheartens and unnerves them for their arduous and self-denying duties. It kills their devoted wives, and digs graves for their children. It deprives large and populous sections of the Gospel—sections as destitute of churches and ministers as the heart of Africa.—*Superintendent T. W. Jones, in "The Advance."*

WE desire to train our children in systematic giving; so we have our mite-boxes on the side-board, and every Sabbath morning each one puts something in. If, in the course of events, any unusual cause for gratitude comes up, a thank offering is dropped in. The children surprise me in the number of pennies saved. Oh, that a spirit of self-denying love might take possession of the Church of Christ!—*Rhode Island.*

HOW CAN WE POPULARIZE MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE?*

BY MRS. M. L. MERRITT, OAKLAND, CAL.

THE first point to be made in this discussion is the NEED of larger intelligence along missionary lines in all our churches.

Does such need exist? Our thought has been so strongly directed in recent years to the need of funds in our work, that it seems to me we have lost sight of that which lies back of money-giving—namely, interest. It is truly said that people will always use money for things that interest or gratify them. Nor is this wholly selfishness. It is a truth that applies to Christian work as well as to the common affairs of life. The difference between the Christian and the un-Christian man is largely in that which each *loves*, not alone that the one acts from principle, the other from impulse. We need not therefore condemn this fundamental fact of human nature, but simply ask how can the great body of uninterested Christians become interested, so that they will be willing, yea, glad to use their means for this highest, noblest of purposes, the missionary work. In considering the question of newer methods, we of necessity premise the insufficiency of the old.

We all understand that the masses do not read the missionary magazines, that they do not attend regular missionary meetings. The fault is not in the magazines, perhaps not in the meetings, but is traceable chiefly to a prejudice growing out of the popular notion that these things are necessarily dry and uninteresting. We must therefore find a way to dispel this illusion. The fundamental fact upon which we must proceed in all this work is the absolute necessity of intelligence. The masses must be made intelligent. How?

My first suggestion is that instruction be given orally, and under conditions to which the popular taste inclines. We must find a fulcrum for the lever that is to lift the indifferent high enough to catch a glimpse of the beautiful, glorious things we see ourselves in this great missionary work. Take them first on their own plane—study the conditions of each community. Some of our pastors acting on this principle devote the Sabbath evenings largely to a lecture, giving character-illustrations, sometimes Biblical, sometimes popular. Could there be along this line a nobler theme than the life and work of some great missionary, home or foreign? Or, on the home missionary line, a most attractive and inspiring theme may be found in the early missionary history of our Northwestern States and Territories, taking them one at a time. Many of you doubtless were impressed by that sketch given in a recent *Home Missionary*, of

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Pres. Joseph Ward, of Dakota. I was myself so much interested that I wrote to Mrs. Ward for further particulars of his life and work, and in response received a memorial copy of the "Yankton Student," published by those students who so love and honor his memory. It is a most instructive document showing how the life of that devoted man has been woven into the very warp and woof of all that is highest and best in that young State. One of the addresses delivered at his Memorial Service is headed, "His Character and Services as a Citizen, Statesman, and Patriot." And truly he was all these. Yet President Ward and his work are not so much exceptional, as typical. He is one of a long line of noble men whose work has gone to make our great Northwest what it is to-day. Even our wealth-getting power is due almost wholly to the social order and thrift that come from an open Bible and the Home Missionary. This is not a mere fancy but a fact capable of demonstration, and the data are within the reach of all our pastors if only they will give needed time and thought. If your people are not interested, give them, in the public assembly on the Sabbath Day, such facts of their indebtedness to Home Missions as will stir the most apathetic to the bottom of their natures. You can do it. The same thing may be done essentially in well-written papers by the ladies at some monthly mid-week meeting without giving it out as a missionary meeting. Take them unawares. Then again they can be successfully caught upon social lines. You have probably all noticed here and there in the past few months items about "Missionary Teas," and "Lunches."

As a representative of California, I may be pardoned perhaps for speaking particularly of a little experience of our own the past winter. Mrs. Haven, the wise and sagacious treasurer of our Woman's State Home Society, conceived the idea of inviting to her home certain society ladies, of large means, who were not especially interested in our work, though good Christians, and with these of course were invited a good representation of intelligent workers. The plan was happily conceived and well executed, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Williams being taken into confidence and aiding in many of the details of preparation. Regular cards of invitation were issued, and the plan of entertainment as carefully elaborated as the most conventional of parties. Many little devices were found to promote merriment and good cheer, but all in harmony with the one idea of the gathering. Refreshments, while served in the daintiest and most approved style, were yet simple. The real purpose of the gathering culminated in a question drawer, so skillfully prepared as to cover many of the important facts of our history and work, and so answered as to keep alive the flow of humor, and the pleased interest that filled the very atmosphere of the entire day; solid instruction and delightful sociability were so happily combined that society ladies were heard to say to each other,

"We have not had so delightful a party this winter." And our good Dr. McLean did not hesitate to say that such an occasion would be richer in results than a lecture from Joseph Cook.

Why should we not have in every one of our auxiliaries something akin to this once or twice each winter? Of course details must vary according to conditions; but do let us earnestly try the use of the beautiful homes God has given us, and the fullest exercise of literary talent and ingenuity, in making our work attractive and bringing it to the level of the highest social talent at our command. I would suggest, however, that in many cases an evening party would be better than a lunch, as we can in that way include our gentlemen friends, who need perhaps as much as their wives and daughters the inspiration that comes from larger intelligence—and I make bold to say that there is no line of history of which intelligent people are so ignorant as that of missionary history. The same general plan can be applied to the social gatherings of young people. Do not understand me to say that we can in these ways supply all the information needed to awaken permanent enthusiasm, but we can thus start an impulse that will lead on to larger things—whet the appetite for more and better.

Another suggestion lies in the field of literature. The experience of the last two years has convinced me that we have already to our hand a great unused power along this line. I mean leaflet literature as published by all our great Missionary Societies, but chiefly the American Home Missionary Society. They have the largest assortment and exercise peculiar wisdom in giving it freely to all our workers for gratuitous distribution. Neal Dow once said that the Maine law was secured "by sowing the State knee deep with literature"; and we have the very highest authority for saying that, "he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully." We are a reading people notwithstanding the fact that our magazines and missionary literature are overlooked. I would not be understood to commend *all* our leaflet literature, for much of it will not take with the masses, but we can select, and with a sufficient amount of womanly tact, we can devise ways of getting it read. One of our Sunday-school teachers in Oakland has in this way worked up a class of girls from perfect apathy to real enthusiasm.

But a larger and more important field is in the selection and preparation of a few choice books into small libraries that can be furnished by benevolent people to every auxiliary in the land that will use one, just as the American Sunday School Union has furnished libraries to Sunday-schools in times past. I am sorry to say that for home missionary purposes there is at present very little to draw from, but such literature can be created. As suggested above in regard to Sabbath evening talks, there is ample material that might be put into story form and made in-

tensely interesting and still be history. There are certainly possibilities along this line which we must study to develop.

Missionary intelligence *can* be made popular—please note the emphasis. It *can* be done, if with consecrated purpose we set ourselves to the task. Is it not a subject worthy our most prayerful study?



TO THE PRESIDENT OF AN AUXILIARY.—I am glad we are to study Home Missions. The Six National Societies certainly cover the whole field. I am very benighted. I long to begin. There is no royal road to learning; but I hope there is a short-cut to a fair knowledge of Home Missions—for it is appalling how time fails for all there is to do, not to mention *to be*, which is so important. Consider me a primary scholar—and tell me where to begin. What shall I read? I may not be apt, but I will be obedient and grateful.

THE story of North Dakota, in the January magazine, is just the thing we need, and we shall at once, as a Society, commence to study that field. Questions and answers to be found in the same number make this practicable. To ask questions and refer the reader to some other magazine, or to another number of the same magazine results in failure. The average church-member is not sitting before a file of these books containing missionary intelligence. Do, please, continue this plan.

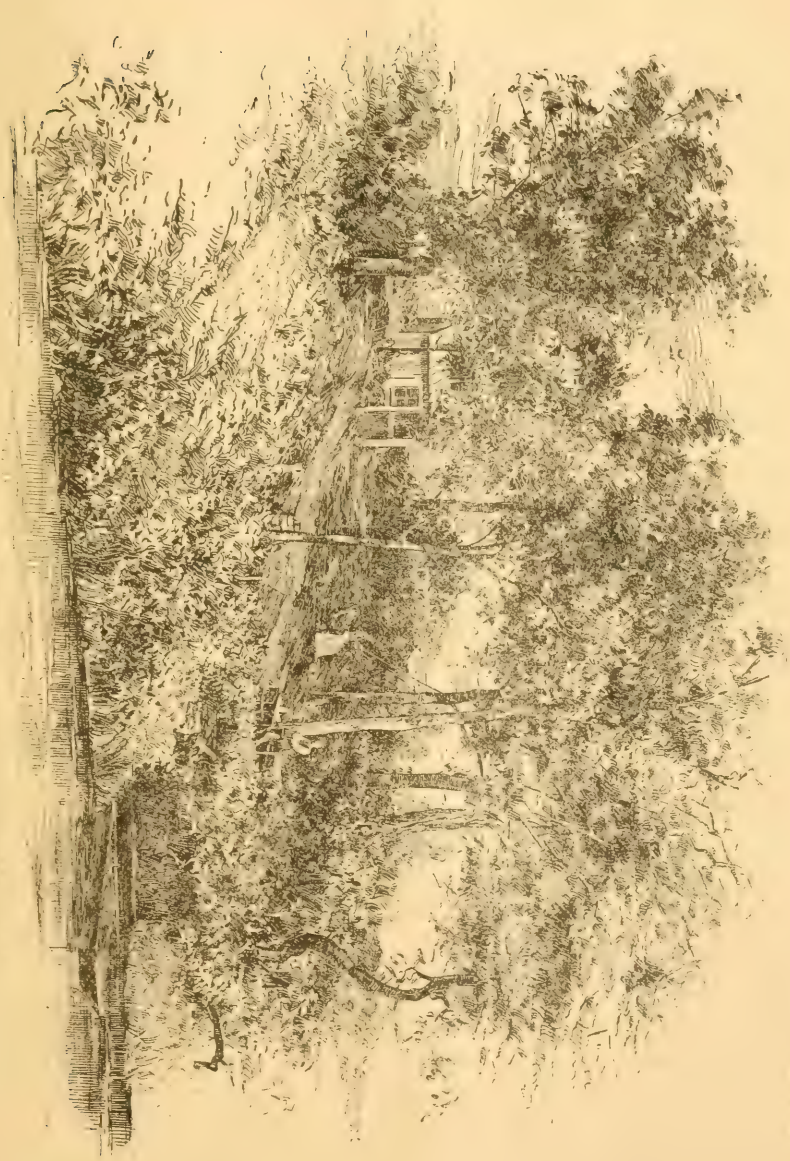
[It is too true that the "average church-member is *not* sitting before a file" of missionary literature! You will find in our homes, arranged upon plain or costly shelves, libraries of English literature, American literature, and miscellaneous literature. According to the heavenly standard, is a Christian home quite complete without a library of MISSIONARY LITERATURE?]

OUR church was for years a Home Missionary church. Since aid has been withdrawn they feel that all the money they can raise is needed at home. They do not look upon it as a PRIVILEGE to give to Home and Foreign Missions. I regret to say that when they *do* give, it is apparently from selfish considerations. They have even requested their pastor not to preach upon these subjects! We are trying to raise the standard of giving, but it is uphill work. I have been a Home Missionary's daughter and wife all my life. I cannot understand this. It bewilders me.

THE work here has been carried on through preaching, conference meetings, Sunday-school, teaching Bible history, singing, and visiting. I never was filled with more hope about this work than at present. There are some who give full evidence of a regenerated life, and a goodly number who are ready to receive the truth.—*A Home Missionary.*

Doing God's will leaves no time for disputing about his plans.

AN OKLAHOMA PARSONAGE, ON THE BANK OF THE COTTONWOOD RIVER.



Woman's Department.

It is not the deed we do,
Though the deed be never so fair,
But the love that the dear Lord looketh for
Hidden with holy care—
For the heart of the deed so fair.

The love is the priceless thing,
The treasure—our treasure must hold
Or ever the Lord will take the gift,
Or tell the worth of the gold
By the love that cannot be told.

Behold us, the rich and the poor,
Dear Lord, in thy service drawn near!
One consecrates a precious coin,
One droppeth only a tear.
Look, Master! the love is here!

ON THE FRONTIER.

BY THE PREACHER'S WIFE.

WE are not very young people, but this is our first pastorate because my husband has been engaged in evangelistic work for nine years. He preached the home missionary sermon on the appointed day, and took up the annual collection for the A. H. M. S. We had neglected to talk over the matter at home, and decide what we could give; and as the Preacher came and slid our little purse—we have but one—into my lap, I was at a loss what to do; for I peeped in and found only dimes and nickels amounting to about one dollar. We sang a hymn containing the line, "My all to Christ I give," and the thought came to me, "*Put in the purse.*" Just then the good deacon reached from behind and presented the hat before me so unexpectedly that without time to consider the consequences, I just dropped the little purse in and wondered what the Preacher would say.

We sang the doxology and were dismissed. I then whispered in his ear what I had done. He laughed and said, "Praise the Lord!" But when, on the way home, I asked, "Who is the treasurer?" the good deacon—under whose roof we have our temporary home—said, "Are you afraid you won't get your purse back?" Later, as we all counted the contribution, we were disappointed to find our little purse had furnished about one fourth the whole amount, and scarcely one half of our apportionment had been secured.

The next Saturday morning, when the Preacher started on his twenty-five mile horseback ride to his other appointments without a cent, I was tempted to think I had been too impulsive. At the first place he always had to pay his own expenses, as the only member was an invalid. So I was in prayer much of the day that entertainment for him and the borrowed farm-horse might be given as a token of divine approval. Our Father heard us, as he always hears the cry of his children; and we knew by many past experiences that, although in this new field the trials of our faith seemed to be multiplying, yet his will would be made clear to us if we only "waited patiently on him." The time of our trial-call was growing shorter, and every week the means by which the Preacher should travel his circuit was talked over and laid before the Lord in prayer. We both felt that, unless a horse and conveyance became positive possessions, we could not stay another year. The days went by and no mail came from any source, and all inquiries about a horse and cart among our people or their friends failed to bring any light.

When the Preacher returned this week, he said he lost his way, and stopping at the nearest house, found a brother pastor, who put him on the right road with no thought of other needs at noontime; but before he had passed beyond hearing he was called back to stop for dinner and feed for his horse. At the preaching place friends were made who said, "Our house is your home whenever you come here." The formal call to the other church was handed him by the good deacon in this northern town, where a small parsonage and a cordial welcome from the people awaited us. Four dollars was also handed him, and thus our prayers were answered even as our faith had claimed.

There seemed to be many ways by which we might be supplied with a horse and cart for this work, but as we have often proved, "the Lord's ways are not our ways." Last Friday we received a letter from a brother pastor, who is laid aside by failing health, and who writes:

"If you conclude to spend another year in this work, I can let you have my horse, buggy, and harness, if you will send or come for the team yourself and drive it over. I have had new wheels put on the buggy and had it painted and fixed up generally. The outfit is yours while in the home missionary work."

We looked at each other without speaking for a moment, and then both praised God for answered prayer. As we talked over the severe trials from which we were about to be delivered we were more than encouraged at the unmistakable tokens of our Father's approval of our work and his will concerning our stay in this field.

In these days, when so many seem to limit the channels by which our Father supplies the necessities of those whose faith takes his word literally in their every-day walk, we gladly give our testimony that his word

is sure: "No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?"

HOME MISSIONS AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING.

PAPER READ AT THE MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S H. M. UNIONS, SARATOGA,
JUNE, 1891.

BY MRS. J. G. FRASER, CLEVELAND, O.

LESS than a quarter of a century ago the mention of Home Missions suggested only the frontier regions of our country, with its paintless hovels, dug-outs, and similar structures as dwellings and places of worship. After a little the negroes of the South and the Indians of the Northwest were included in our thought of Home Missions; then the poor mountain whites in their thriftless cabins, with the intellectual and spiritual development that usually accompanies "corn dodger" and underdone cabbage. Then the American Home Missionary Society called for funds with which to plant and support churches in our cities of all sizes, from the large towns, called cities out of deference to the ambition of their inhabitants, to the cities numbering their hundreds of thousands.

With almost every country of Europe emptying its ignorant and untrained multitudes into our centers of population, we are met with a religious as well as social and political problem difficult indeed to solve.

Religious and charitable organizations, local, state, and national, join hands to face the situation. As yet they have mastered it only in part. But the kingdom will surely come, and it will come along the line of Christian endeavor.

The Mission chapel—or, if the people are sensitive concerning the word "mission," we will call it the Branch chapel—is established within reach of the sheltering arms of the mother church on Broad Avenue, where the Gospel may be carried to the unevangelized. Or, if it is the "Five Points" of the city, or any locality where foreigners have gathered, the first work is to induce them to come to the place of worship provided for them. Their dwellings must be visited, and the parents interested where this is possible; if this is impossible the children must be won.

Right here we meet the obstacle of *dirt* and *filth* and the need of what Professor Farnham calls the "Gospel of Soap." We agree with him in believing that it is very difficult for moral truth to find permanent lodgment beneath unkempt hair and unwashed cuticle.

If you are dealing with European foreigners you will find that the large majority of the women have not been well trained to care for their

persons after the manner of their own country; finding themselves in a strange land, where surroundings and appliances are so different, home-sick and heart-sick, in the midst of poverty, without the comfort of a personal Savior, is it any wonder that they have little ambition to try to rise to anything higher?

Provisions brought to the home, if home it can be called, half wasted by imperfect cookery, bring little return for the hard-earned money of the husband; he becomes discouraged; his ill-nourished body craves the stimulant to be found in beer and whiskey. The waste and misery increase, until in ignorance and despair he joins in a "strike" for higher wages, never dreaming that his great need is not more money, but a knowledge of how wisely to use what he already possesses.

How can the Evangel of peace enter under such circumstances? The needs of the body, if not so important, are more pressing than those of the soul. The places of abode among these people are many, but the homes are few.

By patient, wise, and very careful effort, some of these women may be led to improve their homes somewhat; but the greater hope lies in effort for the girls in these families. The boys more readily learn different kinds of labor, often skilled labor, because they go from the public schools into shops and factories, and if they are taught in the Manual Training Departments of some of our public schools, they naturally learn trades; but the girls have not the same opportunities of learning to become good home-makers.

Do many of these poor women want what we would so gladly give them? Oh, no! They extend to us the imploring hands of need, not of desire.

Do not flatter yourselves that the Woman's Christian Union, the Dorcas Societies, the Woman's Christian Associations, or the Woman's Industrial Unions can accomplish all of this work in our cities. They have done nobly, and have taken the initiatory in establishing kitchen gardens, sewing schools, and cooking schools. But what are these among so many? The churches need not give less spiritual training, but they must afford more facilities for training in material affairs. This should in many instances be adopted as one of the lines of regular church work.

Do you doubt the pressing need of more industrial training among the mountain whites, the negroes, and the Indians? Obtain the testimony of the secretaries and teachers of the American Missionary Association. I asked one of the secretaries the other day what proportion of the poor white women of the Southern mountains were tolerably neat and comfortable housekeepers. He replied, "I never saw one."

The Government furnishes tools and farming implements to the Indians; but the Indians should be taught to repair these and make new

ones. The Indian families are furnished with rations to a certain extent; their women should be taught to properly care for these supplies. The Indians seem more desirous to learn the arts of civilized life than many other classes of the poor and untaught in our country.

But what shall we respond to the need thus far presented? If it is met, it means more schools, enlarged facilities for many already established, better trained teachers in the Industrial Arts, and more of them, more men and women willing to enter this work, and more money.

Within ten years most of the young girls of these needy classes of which I have spoken will be wives and mothers. The rude, awkward, but often kind hearted mountain girls of the South will be living in other neglected hovels like those in which they are now reared; the ignorant, frivolous negro girls will help perpetuate the squalor and misery of the present years; the wild Indian girls, and boys as well, within this period will be another generation of adult savages.

What can we do, what will we do for all these within ten years, my sisters?

Your deft fingers, your God given tact and skill in accomplishing the difficult, your self sacrifice in being willing to do humble work, your generous gifts, your unceasing prayers, your CONSECRATED SELVES must make answer.

JUVENILE MISSIONARY WORK.

FROM A PAPER READ AT THE MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S H. M. UNIONS,
SARATOGA, JUNE, 1891.

BY MRS. C. F. YENNIE, RIDGWAY, PA.

If we would have wide-awake boys and girls we must give them something to do, for children love to be busy. They are willing workers, and we must do more to interest them in the gospel work of our land. They really enjoy the privilege of helping to save our country for Christ. Even the little ones, two and three years old, may help.

“Little hearts were made to love him,
Little hands to do his will.”

When they understand the importance of giving, and what a blessed privilege it is to deny self for Christ, they will not do as that little boy did who started for a missionary meeting with two pennies, one for the missionary cause and one for candy. On his way he had the misfortune to lose one of them. As he went into the store and saw the candy he said to himself, “Well, it was the missionary penny I lost.” He purchased the candy and went to the meeting. The leader made the lesson

very emphatic that the Lord loveth a cheerful giver, and that we must give our money cheerfully, we must give our candy money if we have no other, and give it willingly to Him who gave his life for us. The little boy listened very attentively, and told his sister that night about the lost penny, and said he wished he had put the other one in the missionary box because the candy made him feel "kinder bad."

Of course, to train the children in and for this work takes the time and labor of some one older, but it is time well spent. We must plan and pray for it, and devise ways in which they can earn their own money. Every church should have a children's missionary band. Let some lady whose heart is full of missionary zeal and love for children take charge of it. Let the children elect their own officers. Impress upon their minds the responsibility they have taken upon themselves. The leader may invite others to meet with them, who will at one time read a missionary story, at another time give an object lesson, etc. All these things help wonderfully. Let the look-out committee take notice at roll-call of absent members, and during the month ascertain the cause. Let each member bring an offering of his own earning if possible. This will teach the child self-denial, and educate him, as well as replenish the treasury.

When the leader reads something interesting and instructive for children let her preserve it for use in their meetings. Let her also make a collection of pictures of heathen people, their homes, etc. With such instruction the children readily see the need of saving their pennies to help send a messenger to tell the heathen of Jesus, the wonderful Friend of whom they have never heard.

Surely missionary work is the practical application of gospel instruction to children; and every Congregational church in the land should have an active children's missionary band. The work is waiting; golden opportunities are before us. Let us grasp them. The Lord will help us. Let us gather in the little children and train them for usefulness. The Juvenile Missionary Band is God's kindergarten, to train and develop the children in the great work of to-day. The constant call for more laborers in the missionary field, and the scarcity of those prepared to go, force upon us the necessity of training an army of young people for this service. A great responsibility rests upon us. God has placed each one of us here for a purpose and with a work to do that no one can do for us. Immortal souls are living and dying in darkness all about us, and

"He who fed the thousands by Galilee's blue sea
Sends to his fainting children portions by you and me."

Let us be true to the interests of his Kingdom. Let us, as his soldiers, stand side by side loyal to Christ and to each other. Let us not

rest until all the children of the earth shall be brought from darkness unto light.

“Feed my lambs,” said Christ our Shepherd;
Place the food within their reach,
And it may be that the children
We have led with trembling hand
Will be found among our jewels
When we reach the better land.

THE MISSIONARY BARREL.

Our little parish, itself aided by the Missionary Society, is filling a barrel with articles for some dear missionary family far away. Myself and wife, ourselves poor and needy, are lending a helping hand. She now sits by my side preparing some garment to send, and I have already selected a few books from my small library for the purpose, to which I have added some sermon and letter paper, a package of envelopes, with numerous tracts and tract papers, these last for distribution, in the hope that they may fall as seed on good ground, and bring forth fruit unto eternal life.

It is a labor of love. We feel that it is indeed “more blessed to give than to receive.” We would that the gifts were more worthy and abundant. Our thoughts and our benediction are with the unknown household that may be their recipient. We heartily sympathize with them in all their privations and trials for Christ’s sake. The good Master takes cognizance of them, nor will he be forgetful of them in the great rewarding day. Dear brother and sister, be of good courage; toil on a little longer. All soon enough shall the time of dismissal come, and you shall hear the glad welcome: “Well done, good and faithful servants; enter ye into the joy of your Lord.”—*Massachusetts*.

THE DREAM OF A MISSIONARY WIFE.—I dreamed last night that the Lord appeared to me. I told him what I was trying to do on this great field. I thought perhaps he would promise me an extra laborer because the harvest is so great, and the laborers so few; but instead, he gave me new work to add to the old. I said, “Dear Lord, *I am so tired*. Is there no way by which I can have a few weeks of rest?” He looked at me so tenderly, so lovingly, and said, “Dear child, I know you are tired—but you will have all eternity to rest in!” The voice was so sweet, so distinct, I started up and said, “Mr. Drake, did you hear a voice?” He said, “You have been dreaming.” Wasn’t that a precious dream? It has helped me.—*Mrs. A. J. Drake, Iroquois, So. Dak.*

Our Young People.

A VISIT FROM JESUS.

WHAT if the Savior should come
To visit your mission band,
And with love that chased all your fear away
Beside your leader should stand?

We should ask him to tell us of Bethlehem town,
The strange little town on the hill,
And of all the glory that shone around
When the angels sang "Peace and good will"

And next we should ask for the little lad
That gave his fishes and bread
Because he had heard the Master say
That the people ought to be fed.

And as we heard him how glad we should be
That we have so much to give,
To send news of Jesus to heathen lands,
That his dear little lambs may live.

PLANTING PENNIES.

WHEN I was a child my father gave me five bright new pennies. I was rich indeed! Mother was planting seeds in her flower garden. I ran to her with my treasure, and followed her about among the flower beds. When she placed a few seeds in my hand, bidding me put them into the ground with the promise that some day I should reap beautiful blossoms from this planting, I was a proud and happy child.

A few days after I was in the garden alone, thinking about the words of my mother: "The seed that you have put into the ground will give you more seeds than you can count." A sudden thought came to me: "If these little seeds will come up and give me so many more, why not plant my pennies, and have many more pennies!" The thought of thus increasing my treasure gave me courage to cover them over with the black earth. This should be my own secret. I would surprise the family one of these days by a whole basketful of pennies!

After many days of weary watching I was forced to confide the secret to my father, and, comforted by his kind sympathy, I was helped to bear my first bitter disappointment.

But I have since learned that there is such a thing as planting pennies—that we are all planting them in one of two ways. We plant them for OURSELVES, or we plant them for God.

When this penny-planting is for ourselves we reap candy, toys, clothes, houses, lands, horses, and carriages, all for our own comfort, amusement, and convenience, without thought of others.

When the planting is for God we reap Sunday-schools, churches, and all the things that make us happy in a Christian home. But we do not reap them for ourselves alone, but for those who could not have them but for our planting.

One of the wonderful things about this Gospel money-seed is that if we once plant it the seed keeps on planting itself—forever!

Please remember, when you give your penny or dime or dollar to this missionary work you are planting money-seed which will surely multiply itself in blessings for God's spiritual kingdom as long as this earth shall last.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

A good rich man in a large city put up this notice over the door:

"ALL WHO HAVE NO MONEY, AND ARE HUNGRY, COME IN HERE AND EAT."

A great many people passed by, and said:

"What a strange man to make such an offer!"

A poor man came along, looked at the sign, and said:

"Well, I'm hungry enough! but then—if I can't go in without *paying* something, I don't want to go, and I haven't any money."

So he passed on. A poor woman stopped and looked at the sign, and said:

"Oh, that I might go in there and eat! but alas, I am too ragged and dirty. I am not fit—he would turn me out."

So she passed by; and so on. One had one excuse, another, some other, and so, hungry, starving, poor, wretched, the crowd passed by, and did not go in to the feast.

At last a little boy came along, and saw the sign.

"That must mean me!" he cried. "Hungry? I'm hungry. Poor? I'm poor enough! No money? Well, that means me, too! I'LL GO IN!"

And in he went—and not only had a great dinner, but was clothed, and given a beautiful home in which he should be forever happy.

CHILDREN, what does this story mean? Read it at your next mission circle and ask, "What does it mean?" Is some one in great need of this feast, and clothes, and beautiful home, waiting for you to tell him about it? How can you do it?

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

In the first three months of the current (sixty-sixth) financial year the receipts have been as follows :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$13,542 54	\$17,280 43	\$30,822 97
May.....	24,052 85	3,223 02	27,275 87
June.....	15,608 82	6,907 54	22,516 36
July.....	13,919 50	13,852 15	27,771 65
	\$67,123 71	\$28,263 34	\$108,386 85

The receipts in the corresponding months of 1890 were :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$20,306 48	\$3,723 85	\$24,030 33
May.....	14,969 79	2,066 64	17,036 43
June.....	11,845 88	2,163 11	14,008 99
July.....	25,145 31	17,236 06	42,381 37
	\$72,267 46	\$25,189 66	\$97,547 12

Thus it will be seen that the receipts in July, though exceeding by more than \$5,000 those of June, fell about \$14,600 below those of July, 1890, and brought little relief to the burdened treasury. Our friends will remember that the Society's notes at the Bank for \$50,000 paid on the work of last year had to be brought over into this, overloading to that amount its legitimate expenses, and embarrassing the action of the Executive Committee, called twice in every month to contrive how to meet the larger demands of the new year's work in addition to the old. In obedience to the votes of the Society, directing that the dues to the missionaries shall be promptly paid, the Committee have been obliged to increase the loan from the Bank by \$50,000 for the current year ; so that the Society's notes are held to-day for \$100,000.

These bank loans are made, not on the credit of the Executive Committee, the officers, or any specified individuals, but on the credit of the churches whose work the Society is doing as their agent and by their order. These churches well know that their notes must be paid. They will be paid. Nor will the churches long consent to postpone the supply of means for payment until there has accrued an amount of interest which should be applied to the support of missionaries in fields that are suffering for lack of their ministry. This borrowing from the banks

seemed to the Society a necessity to meet the temporary deficiency in the summer months; but it is not believed that the churches are willing to make this tedious and costly process the settled policy for all seasons.

What can we do but yet again earnestly appeal to the churches and individual supporters of the work to come at once to the relief of their empty treasury? We once more, therefore, make our fraternal appeal to those churches whose ability is not lessened by the summer exodus. We appeal to wealthy men and women who love the cause, and may perhaps without injustice to others do something more to forward it. Some of these have named the Society in their wills who, on maturer thought, may see the way clear to be, in whole or in part, their own executors. We appeal to executors and administrators in process of closing up estates committed to them in sacred trust by departed friends of the cause. As these lines are being written, there comes, without special solicitation, to the Treasury an executors' check for \$7,500 from an estate that will not be closed for years, and where the times of payment are left wholly to the executors' discretion. With hearty thanks for such voluntary and most timely help, may we not ask if there are not others who, without injury to any legatee, might imitate so good an example.

A CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONARY SUNDAY.

At the annual meeting at Saratoga the following resolutions were unanimously passed:

Resolved, That we urge that Societies of Christian Endeavor and Sunday-schools be systematically trained to bear their part in the evangelization of their native land: and that such movements as the Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, Birthday Boxes, Home Missionary Sunday-school concerts, and a special day of offering be encouraged on every side.

Resolved, That all our people, young and old, rich and poor, be entreated to do with their might what their hands find to do along the lines which this Society provides, for their country, for humanity, and for God, and to abound more and more."

In addition to the above the Committee upon the Annual Report of the Society submitted the following, which was heartily adopted:

Resolved, That we respectfully suggest to the Executive Committee that there will be wisdom in setting apart a marked day of the year as a time when our Sunday-schools shall be rallied to the support of the home missionary work."

We take pleasure in announcing that, in accordance with the above votes, the Executive Committee at a recent meeting fixed upon the Sunday before Thanksgiving as Children's Home Missionary Sunday. The season of national thanksgiving for national blessings is an eminently fitting time to turn the thoughts of the children to their country's need,

and secure their offerings for the great home missionary work. Special provision will be made in the way of cards and envelopes and concert exercises for the proper observance of the day. Further announcement may be expected hereafter. Meanwhile let all our friends set sacredly apart in their minds this Sunday before Thanksgiving as the Children's Home Missionary Sunday.

A DISTRIBUTION.

DURING the present month a package of home missionary literature will go to every Congregational pastor in the land, at least so far as the newly issued Year-Book furnishes accurately the names and addresses. This distribution is usually made soon after the Saratoga meeting, the latter part of June or early in July. It has been feared, however, that the summer vacation following so soon thereafter has rendered the distribution at that time largely ineffective. We send this year, therefore, in September, just in time for the fall and winter campaign. The package will contain the papers of the Secretaries read at Saratoga, giving the history and the facts; the Red Line Chart, presenting in picturesque and impressive form the statistics; a circular of information and appeal; and a list of the Society's publications, from which additional literature may be ordered if needed. The July number of *The Home Missionary*, our friends will remember, contains, at length, all essential portions of the Annual Report.

Many of our pastors will find this home missionary package on their desk after their return from their summer rest. Brethren, please read, mark, inwardly digest, and, at an early day, present the great cause with warm and glowing hearts before your people.

A TENT NEEDED.

Who will help Superintendent Curtis, of Indiana, to secure a Gospel Tent? This is an instrumentality that has lately been employed with great success in Colorado, Illinois, Wisconsin, and elsewhere. So marked have been the results in Illinois that a tract has been written about it. Secretary Grassie, of Wisconsin, says: "After an experience of three years, we have demonstrated the value of the Gospel Tent and the Camp-meeting. In Central Wisconsin, under the direction of General Missionary Cheney, a large tent, capable of holding three or four hundred people, was used, with a force of volunteer preachers, mostly missionaries in the neighborhood, and with provision for good gospel singing. The tent goes from point to point during the summer, stopping two or three weeks in a place. Multitudes, even in the most busy weeks of harvest,

have flocked to these meetings. Many have been converted, and religious life has been deepened wherever the tent has gone. No agency has been so effective in proportion to the amount of effort and expense."

Dr. Curtis believes that in many of the rapidly growing towns of Indiana this method of work would be greatly blessed. If any of our friends are disposed to help in raising the \$250 needed for the tent let them forward their contributions to this Society, naming the object for which they are sent.

"THE PIONEER PREACHER."

THE types, in our last issue, made President Fairchild, of Oberlin, the author of this excellent book. The true author, as our readers know, is the pioneer preacher himself, the venerable Sherlock Bristol, who still lives to do good at San Buena Ventura, Cal., and who about two years ago, at great personal expense, donated a copy of the book to every missionary of this Society.

This correction gives us the opportunity to say that the following request accompanied each volume thus donated: "If you are pleased with the book, and wish each of your brethren to have one, then let me ask you to induce some one to send to Mr. F. H. Revell, the publisher, 150 Madison Street, Chicago, or 30 Union Square, New York City, and purchase a copy. The price, post-paid, is one dollar. Can you not find four persons in your parish who will give twenty-five cents each to buy a copy for your Sunday-school?"

It is hoped that those who enjoyed the book have not failed to bear in mind this request of the generous donor. There is still opportunity to respond.

A GOOD EXAMPLE.—At the annual meeting of the First Congregational Church of Christ at Alma, Kansas, April 2, 1891, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Preamble.—For upwards of twenty years we have received aid from the American Home Missionary Society. This help has been cordially and cheerfully granted us while we were weak and struggling for existence. Without such aid we could not have carried on our work. Now that the Society is struggling with a growing burden of indebtedness and reaching out to new fields, we all feel it to be our duty to aid the Society all we can; and believing that assuming self-support will be the most effectual help, therefore,

Resolved, That this church assume self-support, trusting in God for help, and asking no further aid from the American Home Missionary Society.

Resolved, That we extend our sincere thanks for help given in the past, and assure the Society of our hearty sympathy and support in the future in the evangelizing of our beloved country."

THAT ROLL OF HONOR.

RESPECTING the Roll of Honor published in our July number, Superintendent Morley writes us that Rev. C. M. G. Harwood was the pastor under whom Ortonville, Minn., came to self-support; that Rev. John H. Nison is the successful pastor at Montevideo; and that two churches, Mapleton and Sterling, Rev. John Hayward, pastor, should be added to the list. "Honor to whom honor is due."

AND now we have the "OKLAHOMA CONGREGATIONALIST," published at Downs, Oklahoma Territory. Among other items of interest we read that "Eastern friends would smile to see General Missionary Parker wending his way across these prairies in a well-worn cart of rather peculiar design drawn by an Indian pony. But he goes and goes. He is a true missionary, and the qualifying word 'general' in his case does not exempt him from 'enduring hardness' as the other missionaries." We are also told that "Oklahoma Congregationalists were greatly pleased to see a special number of *The Home Missionary*. They looked a second time before they could really believe their eyes."

I SEND you the inclosed check as a thank-offering for the deliverance of my brother from a great peril. That fatal train which was recently wrecked was the one usually taken by him. We were, of course, filled with anxiety when the tidings of the disaster reached us. Our hearts were filled with thanksgiving when an hour later my brother appeared, having been detained, and taken another train. You will not wonder that in my gratitude I want to give some expression to these feelings of thankfulness.

I SEND you a check for \$15.06 for the A. H. M. S. This won't seem much to you, but it is a great deal from six little girls, all under ten years of age, here in South Dakota. I gave each one five cents, and a chicken. Well, they sold the chicken, and bought material for a sale. Then each one worked up her five cents, and made the most of it with pop-corn, candy, etc., and this is the result.

A LADY in Albany sends us a *souvenir* sufficiently attractive to place with other ornamental booklets in the home. The cover, of cream-colored paper, is decorated with a "hand-painted" flower. You cannot resist the temptation to open the pretty book, and are surprised at the familiar titles of our own leaflets! Four short stories are tied within the dainty covers with gold cord. These decorated booklets are sold at missionary meetings and festivals for twenty-five cents each. Here is an opportunity for the young Christian who has received the artistic gift.

Appointments in July, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Alt, Alfred, Conejos County, Alamosa, Monte Vista, and Garrison, Colo.
 Berry, Edward A., Ft. Payne, Ala.
 Brunker, James, Maize, Kan.
 Conard, George A., Omaha, Neb.
 Conard, William J., Park Rapids and Hubbard, Minn.
 French, Edward G., Terre Haute, Ind.
 Griess, Samuel G., Warrenton, N. J.
 Higgins, Robert M., Little Rock, Ark.
 Horne, Gideon, Pleasant Hill and Walker's Chapel, Ga.
 Hubbard, H. L., Triangle, N. Y.
 Hubbard, William S., Lovejoy and Liberty Chapel, Ga.
 Huffman, William N., Alameda, Cal.
 Jertberg, C. A., Springfield, Mo.
 Lumpkin, Wilson, Pleasant Ridge, Ohio.
 McCain, A. J., Equality and Tallassee, Ala.
 O'Brien, James P., St. Louis, Mo.
 Quayle, Thomas R., Marion, Ind.
 Wall, Henry, East Portland, Or.

Re-commissioned:

Christiansen, N. C., Jersey City, N. J.
 Bartlett, Dana W., St. Louis, Mo.
 Bascom, George S., Fargo, No. Dak.
 Battey, Richard H., Crookston, Minn.
 Brereton, John, Cole Camp, Mo.
 Brewer, William F., Pleasant Hill, Antioch, Harmony Grove, and Liberty Hill, Ga.
 Brown, Robert, Roy and Hillhurst, Wash.
 Buchannan, W. W., West Guthrie, Oklahoma.
 Bushell, Richard, Christopher, Wash.
 Clarke, James B., Colville, Chewelah, and Springdale, Wash.
 Cole, Henry M., Brookfield, Mo.
 Cressman, Abraham A., Wahoo, Neb.
 Davenport, Isaac W., Newark, N. J.
 Davies, Thomas V., Westmoreland, Kan.
 Edmonds, Robert H., Mansfield, Ohio.
 Embree, John H., Downs, Kan.
 Emmerson, Nicholas, Dial, Mount Ayr, Ash Rock, and New Harmony, Kan.
 Evans, Thomas D., Taylorville, Pa.

Finnström, Bengt., Rush City and Harris, Minn.
 Fiske, John B., Bonne Terre, Mo.
 Forrester, James C., Duncan's Creek, Macedonia, and Sards, Ga.
 Fowler, Olin L., Edmonds and Richmond, Wash.
 Gibson, George T., Almena, Kan.
 Gillespie, William, Forman and Harlem, No. Dak.
 Grob, Gottfried, Inland and Hastings, Neb.
 Harper, Richard H., Longton and Sycamore, Kan.
 Henshaw, George, Sharon, Pa.
 Hill, George, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Howells, E. Delos, Condon and Arlington, Or.
 Hubbell, Henry L., D. D., Lake Charles, La.
 Hughes, Edward R., Bangor, Pa.
 Hull, John H., Cleveland, Ohio.
 Hull, Lyman, Garden City, Kan.
 Johnson, Alfred P., Joplin, Mo.
 Jones, Lemuel, Gen. Miss'y in N. Y.
 Jones, Morgan P., Seattle, Wash.
 Koch, Johannes, Ritzville and Endicott, Wash.
 Korn, W. A., Clear Lake, Wis.
 Matthews, James T., Blossburg and Arnot, Pa.
 Merrill, Charles W., Parker, Minn.
 Moore, George W., Spring Creek and West Spring Creek, Pa.
 Morse, Milton J., Neosho Falls, Geneva and Vernon, Kan.
 Mulholland, John, Castle, Mon.
 Newton, William, Kinderhook and East Gilead, Mich.
 Palmer, Oscar A., Alton and Bloomington, Kan.
 Perry, George H., Kiowa, Kan.
 Rogers, Samuel J., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Sanborn, Daniel L., Bremen, Ind.
 Sherwood, Nathan M., Jersey City, N. J.
 Stallings, J. J., Evangelist in So. Ala.
 Stone, Sidney, Wayzata, Minn.
 Taylor, George E., Gen. Miss'y in West Neb.
 Walker, Theodore C., Aurora, Mo.
 Wallar, William C. A., Detroit City and Lake View, Minn.
 Welch, Moses C., Pomona, Fla.
 Whittlesey, Charles T., Portland, Or.
 Williamson, Allen J., Clarksfield and Brighton, Ohio.
 Wray, Alfred K., Springfield, Mo.

Receipts in July, 1891.

MAINE—\$241.39.

Received by J. L. Crosby, Treas. M. M. Soc.:
 Rockland, to const. Rev. David P. Hatch a L. M. \$64 63
 Alfred, by J. M. Akers 15 43
 Bangor, Central Ch., by G. S. Hall 25 00
 Bath, Rodney Hyde 50 00
 Bath and Paris, Two Friends 10 00
 Farmington, First, by A. F. Belcher 28 12
 Gardiner, First, by F. B. Dingley 14 71
 Portland, St. Lawrence Street Ch., by J. J. Gerrish 11 00
 Ladies of the Seamen's Bethel Ch., by Mrs. John Elliott, collector 22 50

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$2,056.43; of which Legacies, \$1,600.00.

Received by Hon. L. D. Stevens, Treas. N. H. M. Soc.:
 Atkinson, Abigail L. Page, to const. Miss Lucinda J. Noyes a L. M. \$50 00

Auburn \$6 16
 Deerfield, Center Ch., for Debt. 10 00
 Greenland 15 00
 Henniker 105 50
 Hill 10 00
 Keene, Second 24 84
 Milton 9 40
 Rochester 17 50
 Warren 20 00
 Winchester, Ladies' Home Miss. Soc., \$48, and Ch. and Soc., \$5, in full, to const. Mrs. Sarah R. Burnap, and in part to const. Mrs. Alice R. Bliss, L. Ms. 53 00
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F. C. I. and H. M. U., Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.:
 Bristol, Ladies' Mission Circle toward a L. M. \$16 00
 Chester 2 00
 Concord, So. Ch. Fem. Cent Soc. and H. M. U., for Salary Fund 13 52

Miss A. R. Ayers S. S. class in So. Ch.....	\$3 89
Franklin, Village Ch. Cent Union.....	5 00
Village Ch. Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 50
Gilsum, Cent Soc.....	4 00
West Concord, Fem. Cent Soc. and H. M. Union, for Salary Fund.....	13 50
Center Harbor, R. Ford.....	\$65 41
Exeter, Abby E. McIntire, special.....	4 00
Goffstown, by J. Frank T. Moore.....	5 00
Mrs. M. Hadley and Edith M. Hadley. London, In Memoriam.....	19 02
Elyme, Cong. S. S., by B. Sawyer.....	10 00
Milford, First, by Mrs. A. L. Crosby.....	10 00
Pelham, Mrs. E. W. Tyler, for Salary Fund.....	12 00
Plainfield, Legacy of Jane B. Wyman, by C. F. Huggins, Ex.....	10 00
Rochester, Legacy of Francis Plumer, by H. M. Plumer and M. W. Horri, Exs.....	600 10
1,000 00	
VERMONT—\$77.48.	
Manchester, by S. G. Cone.....	30 48
North Pownal, A Friend.....	23 00
St. Johnsbury, "Little Helpers," South Ch., special, for Rev. M. L. Stimson's horse.....	5 00
Master Joseph Fairbanks, special, for Rev. M. L. Stimson's horse.....	5 00
Wallingford, S. S., special, by Rev. J. Hayes.....	12 00
MASSACHUSETTS—\$4,912.92.	
Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	3,000 00
By request of Donors, of which \$30 for work in Oklahoma...\$392 27	
A. E. Hildreth estate annuity.....	500 00
Woman's H. Miss. Assoc., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.: Missouri Pelt Fund.....	592 27
5 00	
Andover, Prof. J. P. Gulliver.....	5 00
Boston, A Friend.....	10 00
Cummington, A Friend.....	2 00
Dorchester, Secopd, by Miss Elizabeth Tolman.....	188 62
Falmouth, Rev. D. P. Cowan.....	25 00
Fitchburg, F. Fosdick.....	4 00
Framingham, "A. M.".....	2 00
Georgetown, First Cong. S. S., by C. M. Spofford, for Bohemian work.....	10 00
Groton, Union Cong. Ch., by G. W. Shattuck.....	138 35
Hubbardston, Evan. Cong. Ch., by H. W. Howe.....	42 00
Longmeadow, Rev. Charles Peabody, to const. himself a L. M.....	50 00
New Braintree, Mrs. Hannah M. Tufts, special.....	15 00
North Leominster, Ch. of Christ, by L. E. Shedd.....	25 00
Palmer, W. A. Breckenridge.....	17 00
Provincetown, First, by Dea. P. Crock- er.....	5 55
New Bedford, Trinitarian Ch., by J. C. Briggs.....	57 44
Norton, Trin. Cong. Ch., by S. H. Cobb Quincy, A Friend of Missions.....	3 76
2 00	
Royalston, First, \$45.50; Mon. con., \$4.6, by H. S. Wood.....	50 26
Salem, Crombie Street Ch., by F. A. Brown.....	161 19
Stockbridge, A Lady Friend.....	5 00
Westhampton, A. G. Jewett.....	119 60
Worcester, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band of Union Ch., by E. L. Whitney.....	35 53
Friends.....	25 00

Piedmont Ch., Junior Branch of the Benev. Union, by G. H. Bigelow...	\$11 35
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RHODE ISLAND—\$313.90.

Newport, United Cong. Ch., by E. P. Allan.....	26 62
Pawtucket, by E. R. Bullock.....	175 00
Peacedale, Cong. Ch., by J. A. Brown.....	112 27

CONNECTICUT—\$1,972.82.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.....	338 72
Received by Rev. W. W. Jacobs, Treas. Miss. Soc. Conn.: Canaan.....	\$8 00
Falls Village.....	4 00
Windsor.....	10 00
22 00	

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.: Bridgeport, Ladies' H. M. Soc. First Ch., by Miss J. E. San- derson, for Salary Fund.....	\$50 00
Enfield, A Friend in Ladies' Be- neuv. Soc., by Mrs. G. N. Booth.....	2 00
New Haven, Ladies' Aid Soc. United Ch., by Miss J. E. Uf- ford, for Salary Fund.....	46 00
Pomfret, Ladies, by Miss Mary E. Denison, \$10, for Salary Fund, and \$7, special.....	12 00
110 00	

Berlin, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. W. S. Brandegee.....	15 00
Bristol, Cong. S. S., by L. G. Merrick.....	160 00
Canton Center, by W. G. Hallock.....	23 43
Connecticut, A Friend.....	100 00
Friends.....	100 00
East Windsor, First, by Rev. C. M. Geer.....	46 50
East Woodstock, by John M. Paine.....	48 00
Three mite-boxes, by Mrs. Carr.....	4 50
Higganum, by R. J. Gladwin.....	30 00
Kent, by R. Frisbie, to const. Mrs. Ade- lia S. Hawley a L. M. and for work among foreigners in the West.....	50 00
Meriden, Miss M. A. Hall.....	2 00
Middletown, South Cong. S. S., by E. Payne, for Salary Fund.....	50 00
Morris, Cong. S. S., by R. W. Skilton.....	11 77
New Haven, First, by F. S. Bradley.....	115 74
Grand Avenue Ch., by W. Heming- way.....	78 25
New London, First, by H. C. Learned.....	60 66
New Preston, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Williams.....	2 00
Norfolk, A Friend.....	5 00
Old Lyme, First, by W. F. Coult.....	50 00
Pomfret, D. C. Ripley.....	100 00
Portland, First, by H. Kilby.....	45 68
Rockville, Union Cong. Ch. of Christ, by H. L. James.....	137 60
Salisbury, by P. Warner.....	98 67
Woman's H. M. Soc., by Mrs. A. B. Robbins.....	26 76
Saugatuck, Mrs. T. B. Hill.....	5 00
Sharon, by Rev. G. S. Lee.....	86 75
South Britain, by M. C. Bradley.....	10 00
Stamford, Few Friends in First Ch.....	2 00
Torrington, by C. H. Barber.....	14 84
Vernon Center, A Friend.....	5 00
Waterbury, Mrs. L. Upson, by F. E. Dutton.....	1 00
Westport, Saugatuck Ch., by H. C. Woodworth.....	35 95
Wethersfield, by S. F. Willard.....	20 00
Whitneyville, King's Daughters, by Miss M. S. Dickerman.....	15 00
Winthrop, A Friend.....	5 00

NEW YORK—\$13,384.08; of which
Legacies, \$12,252.15.

Received by Rev. E. Curtis:

Arcade.....	\$4 60
Morrisville.....	3 50
	<hr/> \$8 10

Albany, First, by G. W. Pierce.....	46 32
Hon. W. L. Learned, for work in the West.....	50 00
Angola, Miss A. H. Ames, toward a L. M.....	5 00
Aquebogue, by G. L. Wells.....	7 26
Bedford Park, by Rev. S. Bourne.....	5 00
Brooklyn, South Cong. Ch., by Eugene D. Ford, of which \$50 from the S. S., to const. James Armstrong a L. M.....	187 09
Central Ch., A. Alford.....	13 00
S. S. of the Ch. of the Covenant, by H. L. Williamson.....	9 41
Canandaigua, First, by Dr. C. T. Mitchel.....	23 02
Canarsie, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. S. W. Silkworth.....	3 14
Churchville, Union Ch., by A. D. Stone.....	38 86
Clifton Springs, Mrs. W. W. Warner and daughter.....	7 00
East Otto, First, by Dea. J. Dow.....	4 65
East Rockaway, Bethany Ch., by W. A. Simons.....	29 64
East Watertown, by Rev. W. H. Way.....	5 50
Eldred and Barryville, by Rev. E. A. Smith.....	8 50
Hamilton, Mrs. Fanny Sandford, \$5; A Friend, \$5.....	10 00
Harpersfield, by Rev. B. F. Tobey.....	5 00
Ithaca, First Ch., by S. D. Sawyer, of which \$50, to const. Pilny Hall a L. M.....	59 65
Maine, First, by S. C. Carman.....	13 85
Cong. S. S., for S. S. work, by S. C. Carman.....	4 20
Middle-town, S. C. Clarke, special.....	200 00
New York City, Mt. Hope Ch., S. D. Bouflis.....	157 50
Remainder of Legacy of Benj. F. Butler, by W. P. Butler, for Exs.....	12 49
On account of Legacy of Mrs. Ann Voorhis, by Bangs, Stetson, Tracy, and MacVeagh, Atty's.....	12,239 66
O. W. Coe.....	50 00
North Java, by Rev. R. B. Skillings.....	4 20
Orient, by M. B. Brown.....	22 70
Oswego Falls, by Rev. I. P. Patch.....	7 25
Plainfield Center, by W. E. Davis.....	6 00
Remsen, Peniel Ch., by Mrs. H. J. Owen.....	6 00
Rochester, Mrs. J. A. Hodges and Friends.....	13 00
Sayville, by Willett Green.....	31 60
Suspension Bridge, by J. Brown, through H. V. Hubbard.....	30 75
Warsaw, Y. P. S. C. E., by G. M. Lawrence.....	5 00
Washington Mills, by Rev. J. W. Whitefield.....	12 74

NEW JERSEY—\$398.75.

Jersey City, Waverly Ch., by Rev. N. M. Sherwood.....	7 75
Montclair, First, by F. T. Bailey.....	368 80
Orange, A Friend.....	1 00
Woodbridge, First, by D. S. Voorhees..	21 20

PENNSYLVANIA—\$52.56.

Bangor, First, by Rev. E. R. Hughes...	4 00
Monterey, Hawley Ch., by Rev. I. Meredith.....	26 00
Nanticoke, by Rev. J. H. Barnett.....	2 56
Scranton, Providence Ch., by Rev. R. S. Jones.....	12 20

F. E. Nettleton.....	\$5 00
West Bangor, by Rev. J. Cadwalader...	2 50

MARYLAND—\$500.00.

Maryland, A Friend.....	500 00
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VIRGINIA—\$19.00.

Falls Church, by Rev. B. W. Pond....	19 00
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GEORGIA—\$19.87.

Conyers, by Rev. W. S. Hubbard.....	4 00
Duncan's Creek and Macedonia, by Rev. J. C. Forrester.....	3 00
Pleasant Hill, by Rev. G. Horn.....	5 00
Pleasant Hill and Antioch, by Rev. W. F. Brewer.....	4 87
Wier, by Rev. J. T. Spriggs.....	3 00

FLORIDA—\$69.15.

Received by Rev. A. H. Missill-

dine:	
Haines City.....	\$5 00
Longwood.....	1 45
Sylvan Grove.....	13 70
West Longwood.....	5 00
	<hr/> 25 15

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. D.

Brown, Treas.:	
Daytona, Aux.....	\$10 00
Tampa, Mrs. Macfarlane, contents of Mite-Boxes.....	4 00
F. E. Nettleton to const. Mrs. F. E. Nettleton a L. M. of W.	
H. M. U.....	20 00
	<hr/> 34 00

Orange City, Rev. J. C. Halliday.....	10 00
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INDIAN TERRITORY—\$3.00.

Doaksville, by Rev. A. Gross.....	3 00
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OKLAHOMA—\$2.40.

Downs, by Rev. J. B. Williams.....	1 15
Hennessey and Hope, by Rev. J. S. Hawkes.....	1 25

OHIO—\$321.90.

Received by S. P. Churchill, Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:

Andover, S. S., Two classes of Girls.....	\$10 00
Cleveland, Jennings Avenue Ch., by Mrs. C. F. Olney.....	100 00
	<hr/> 110 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:

Harbor, Woman's Miss. Soc....	\$6 00
Hudson.....	2 50
Ironton.....	2 00
Oberlin College, Young Woman's Miss. Soc.....	25 00
	<hr/> 35 50

Freedom, First, by J. B. Kellogg.....	5 00
Kipton, H. A. Deming, in part, to const. a L. M.....	20 00
North Kingsville, Rev. E. J. Comings..	10 00
Oberlin, First, by L. W. Upton.....	73 70
Perrysburg, S. P. Tolman.....	5 00
Rootstown, W. J. Dickinson, of which, \$10, for Bohemian work, and in full to const. Mrs. W. J. Dickinson a L. M.....	20 00

Tallmadge, Cong. S. S., of which, \$14.30; for Bohemian work, by J. W. Seward.....	\$ 8 60
Wakeman, by W. W. Whiton.....	14 10

INDIANA—\$102.27.

Received by Rev. J. Hayes:

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Treas.:	
Elkhart.....	\$30 00
Fremont.....	1 67
Fort Wayne, Plymouth.....	10 00
Hebron.....	1 40
Indianapolis, Plymouth.....	34 50
Michigan City.....	51
Orland.....	14 19
	92 27

Amboy, First, by Rev. M. T. Hartley...	7 50
Macksville and South Vigo, by Rev. H. H. Glichter.....	2 50

ILLINOIS—\$211.00.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Treas.:	
Chicago, Mrs. Henrietta S. Corwin, a Thank-offering, to const. Mrs. Hen- rietta S. Corwin, Miss M. Markita Corwin, Charles A. Corwin, and I. Howard Corwin L. Ms.....	200 00
Elmore, Thomas Armstrong.....	5 00
Quincy, First Union Ch., Two mem- bers, by C. H. Bull.....	6 00

MISSOURI—\$165.00.

Kidder, by Rev. A. L. Girdley.....	10 00
La Grange, by Rev. W. Stock.....	2 00
Lamar, W. McKinney.....	100 00
Mine La Motte, by Rev. D. C. McNair.....	20 00
Pierce City, by Rev. C. H. Bente.....	30 00
Springfield, by Rev. J. F. Graf.....	3 00

MICHIGAN—\$607.42.

Received by Rev. L. Warren, D.D.:	
Grand Ledge, add'l.....	\$0 50
Jackson, First, Cong. S. S., for North Star Mission.....	6 25
Pierport.....	3 10
	9 75

Received by Rev. C. F. Van Au-

ken:	
Breckenridge.....	\$15 26
Osego.....	67 21
White Cloud.....	42 67
	125 14

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F.

Grabill, Treas., rec'd in June:	
Ann Arbor.....	\$15 00
Bridgeport.....	3 62
Cadillac, Mrs. E. F. Sawyer.....	25 00
Cheboygan.....	3 00
Church's Corners.....	10 00
Detroit, Ladies' Union of First Ch.....	50 00
Plymouth.....	10 00
Dowagiac.....	5 00
Grand Rapids, First Ch.....	29 81
Greenville.....	9 09
Highland Station.....	5 00
Lansing.....	17 81
Litchfield.....	15 00
Mattawan.....	9 43
Stockbridge, Mrs. E. W. Wood- ward, a Thank-offering, on seventieth birthday.....	10 00
Union City.....	15 68
White Hall.....	20 81

254 75

Young People's North Star Mis-

sion:	
Canandaigua, S.S., Children's Day offering.....	\$2 00
Coloma, S.S.....	2 50
Kalamo, S.S., Children's Day offering.....	3 15
Morenci, S.S., Easter offer- ings, \$2.07; Children's Day offerings, \$2.50.....	4 67
	\$12 22

Alba, First, by F. Bagnall.....	25 00
Alganssee, First, by Rev. A. A. Luce...	3 75
Bay Mills, by Rev. J. C. McGregor.....	2 00
Bridgman and Sawyer, by Rev. H. C. Snyder.....	10 65
Detroit, Two Friends.....	10 00
Dundee, by Rev. W. H. Skentelbury...	7 50
Hancock, Ch., \$5; Chassell, \$4, by Rev. G. Mylne.....	9 00
Harrison, Perry, and Bangor, by Rev. J. M. Robinson.....	40 30
Kinderhook, by Rev. W. Newton.....	8 65
Lamont and Eastmanville, by Rev. O. H. Johnson.....	21 09
Lansing, Plym'th Ch., by M. A. Hume...	20 63
Lawrence, by Rev. E. M. Counsellor...	8 50
Maple City and Solon, by Rev. E. Ten Eyck.....	5 24
Roscommon, by Rev. W. H. Hurlbut...	1 25
Watervliet, by Rev. W. B. Dada.....	25 00
West Branch, by Rev. C. W. Carrick...	5 00
Williamston, First, by Rev. C. C. Wood	2 50

WISCONSIN—\$32.98.

Received by Rev. G. W. Nelson:

Amery.....	\$1 62
Butternut, by G. Grant.....	1 00
Glidden.....	56
Morse.....	93
Tomahawk, Mrs. H. P. Hatch.....	1 00
	5 11
Clear Lake, First, by Rev. W. A. Korn	1 00
Clear Lake and New Richmond, by Rev. M. Peterson.....	2 25
Eagle River, by Rev. A. S. Newcomb...	6 00
Tomahawk, by Rev. W. M. Ellis.....	2 00
West Superior, Pilgrim Ch., by C. E. Scales.....	18 62

IOWA—\$55.00.

Iowa, A Friend of the cause.....	50 00
Shelby, Rev. A. Kern.....	5 00

MINNESOTA—\$147.65.

Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. J. Earl...	42 63
Appleton, \$10; Graceville, \$11; Torry's Schoolhouse, \$4, by Rev. E. E. Web- ber.....	25 00
Benson, by Rev. C. A. Ruddock.....	5 83
Dawson and Marietta, by Rev. H. O. Lawrence.....	4 00
Detroit City and Lakeview, by Rev. W. C. A. Wallar.....	3 75
Lake City and Hastings, by Rev. John Rood.....	1 00
Minneapolis, Silver Lake Ch., by Rev. R. T. Cross.....	40 47
St. Paul, by Rev. B. C. Preston.....	1 93
Sherburne, by Rev. P. P. Briol.....	2 63
Stillwater, by Rev. J. H. Albert.....	16 35
Tyler, Mrs. J. L. Martin, for an Indian photograph.....	50
Upsala, by Rev. E. J. Palm.....	3 46

KANSAS—\$23.53.

Herndon and Lude'll, by Rev. W. Sness	4 50
Independence, by Rev. W. C. Vezele...	5 75

Kanwaka, by Rev. A. M. Richardson..	\$2 00
Little River by G. H. Weld.....	11 28

NEBRASKA—\$327.90.

Received in June by J. W. Bell,	
Treas.:	
Lincoln, First.....	\$44 50
Rising City.....	5 03
Surprise.....	5 00
Verdon.....	13 00
	67 53

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.	
D. B. Perry, Treas.:	
Arlington.....	\$2 65
Blair.....	5 00
Columbus, S. S., for Children's	
Missionary.....	1 35
Dodge.....	5 00
Doniphan.....	1 00
Exeter.....	10 00
Fairfield, S. S., for Children's	
Miss.....	3 40
Fremont.....	28 50
Geneva.....	3 12
Hastings.....	30 00
Irvington.....	7 50
Kearney, Miss. Band, for	
Children's Miss.....	20 00
Lincoln, Plymouth Juniors..	5 00
Milford.....	5 10
Neligh.....	5 00
Norfolk, Y. P. S. C. E.....	6 00
Omaha, Hillside.....	2 60
Ravenna, Miss. Band, for	
Children's Miss.....	5 00
Rising City, S. S., for Chil-	
dren's Miss.....	3 65
Y. P. S. C. E., for Children's	
Miss.....	1 40
Shickley.....	1 85
Silver Creek.....	1 00
Springfield.....	7 50
Strang.....	4 50
York.....	29 50
	195 82

\$263 35

Less \$255.75 ack. in bulk in August
number..... 7 60

Received in July by J. W. Bell,	
Treas.:	
Albion.....	\$12 08
Arborville.....	1 40
Indianola, "King's Band".....	2 00
Lincoln, Vine Street, Y. P. S.	
C. E.....	6 00
	21 48

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D.	
B. Perry, Treas.:	
Albion.....	\$5 00
Aurora.....	3 00
Bladen.....	2 40
Crete.....	9 00
Dewitt.....	5 00
Franklin.....	3 00
Juniors, Academy.....	3 00
Fremont.....	20 05
Grand Island.....	10 31
Lincoln, Plymouth.....	7 00
Milford.....	5 00
Nebraska City.....	10 00
Omaha, First.....	40 00
First, Juniors.....	9 00
First, Juveniles.....	25 00
St. Mary's Avenue.....	2 50
Riverton.....	2 00
Shickley.....	2 20
Silver Creek.....	2 10
Verndon, S. S.....	3 00

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Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. G. E.	
Taylor.....	\$37 60
Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. C. S. Bil-	
lings.....	37 48
Harbine, by Rev. J. Cooper.....	8 84
Inland and Hastings, by Rev. G. Grob.	2 80
Lincoln, by Rev. John Lich.....	15 00
Red Cloud, Rev. Charles E. Taggart..	10 00
Silver Creek, by Rev. H. C. Halbersle-	
hen.....	5 00
Sutton and Stockham, by Rev. M.	
Treiber.....	6 53
Wahoo, by Rev. A. A. Cressman.....	3 50
Weeping Water, by H. Ashmun.....	12 00

NORTH DAKOTA—\$59.00.

Amenia, by Rev. E. H. Stickner.....	2 10
Caledonia, by Rev. J. W. Danford.....	2 00
Mayville, by Rev. G. Curtiss.....	50 10
New Rockford, by Rev. H. A. Brown..	5 10

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$189.19.

Aberdeen, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. S. G.	
Udylke.....	10 00
Badger and First Spring Lake, by Rev.	
G. W. Crater.....	7 51
Centerville and Wakonda, by Rev. H.	
A. Lawrence.....	5 00
Glenview, by Rev. M. Doty.....	1 00
Hoffnungsfield, \$1: Mrs. Schick, 50c.,	
by Rev. H. Vogler.....	1 50
Hot Springs, First, by Rev. E. E.	
Frame.....	5 50
Huron, A. Friend.....	100 00
La Grange, by Rev. D. B. Nichols.....	2 00
Lakeport and Lebanon, by Rev. J. T.	
Shaw.....	5 10
Pierre, Ch., \$5: E. H. Tomlin, \$5: M. E.	
Tomlin, \$5, by Rev. D. R. Tomlin.....	15 00
Scotland, by Rev. W. J. Schmalle.....	25 00
Springfield, Wanari, and Running	
Water, by Rev. C. Secombe.....	3 38
Willow Lakes, Rev. P. Hitchcock.....	10 00

COLORADO—\$104.54.

Woman's H. M. Union, Colo. and	
Wyo., Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas.....	102 54
Flagler, by Rev. R. Knowles.....	2 00

NEVADA—\$5.00.

Reno, by Rev. T. Magill.....	5 00
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IDAHO—\$24.76.

Boise City, by Rev. G. W. Rose.....	19 12
By Rev. S. Rose.....	5 64

CALIFORNIA—\$68.50.

Adin and Alturas, by Rev. E. Hoskins.	2 25
Copperopolis, by Rev. A. P. Field.....	8 50
Dehesa, by Rev. A. Bixby.....	5 00
Hydesville, Rohnerville, and Alton, by	
Rev. K. Taylor.....	5 00
Los Angeles, West End Ch., by Rev. E.	
Cash.....	8 05
Monrovia, by Rev. O. D. Crawford.....	9 50
Perris, by Rev. C. H. Davis.....	10 00
San Mateo, by Rev. W. H. McDougall..	20 00

OREGON—\$219.41.

Received by F. McKercher, Treas.:	
East Portland, First.....	\$33 41
Forest Grove.....	25 00
Portland, First, to const. Rob-	
ert Collier and Mrs. Sarah	
Payne L. Ms.....	100 00

\$158 41

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. T.
E. Clapp, Treas.....\$60 00

Condon and Arlington, by Rev. E. D.
Howells..... 1 00

WASHINGTON—\$133.19.

Chs. and Individuals, by Mrs. N. F.
Cobleigh..... 52 00
Anacortes, Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs.
J. B. Hagadorn..... 13 50
Chewelah and Springdale, by Rev. J.
B. Clark..... 2 50
Coffax, by Rev. H. P. James..... 1 75
Kalama, by Rev. G. Baker..... 2 70
Port Angeles, by Rev. C. E. Chase..... 15 00
Ritzville and Endicott, by Rev. J.
Koeh..... 25 77
Seattle, Taylor Ch., by Rev. G. H. Lee..... 2 00
Spokane Falls, by Rev. F. V. Hoyt..... 6 47
Sprague, by Rev. J. H. Butler..... 5 00
Stellacoom and Lakeview, by Rev. L.
W. Brinnall..... 6 00

HOME MISSIONARY..... 142 52

\$26,964 51

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Henniker, N. H., Ch., by Fred L. Allen,
box..... \$90 00
Hollis, N. H., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs.
William Canavan, barrel..... \$2 50
Northampton, Mass., Miss Hess, box of
books.....
Sidney Center, N. H., Cong. Ch., by Mr.
Horace Baker, communion set.....
Woodville, N. Y., H. M. Soc., by E. S.
Gates, box..... 25 00

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from
June 23, to July 24, 1891. JOHN L. CROSBY,
Treas.*

Alfred, by J. M. Akers..... \$17 25
Annual Meeting (at Waterville)..... 87 82
Auburn, High St., by James F. Atwood... 200 00
Bangor, First, by W. P. Hubbard..... 50 00
Bangor, Central District S. S., by K. H.
Hunt..... 14 00
Bucksport, Elm St., special, by E. Swa-
sey..... 80 00
Cornish, by Mrs. B. S. Douglass..... 9 01
Cumberland Center, Friend, by Rev. D.
Greene..... 1 50
Cumberland, Sale of inlaid box, made
and presented by Mr. Silas Rideout.... 20 00
By Rev. D. Greene..... 23 00
Cumberland Mills, by Rev. E. M. Cousins
Dennysville, by Edwin R. Gardner..... 54 43
Groverville, Buxton, North Ch., by Moses
G. Hill..... 7 00
Hamden, First, by Mrs. Kate R. Whit-
more..... 9 82
Newcastle, by Rev. C. D. Craue..... 54 00
Norway, First, by pastor..... 1 00
North Ellsworth, by Rev. J. E. Adams..... 5 00
Portland, State St. Ch., by Wm. S. Corey
St. Lawrence St., by J. J. Gerrish..... 10 00
Rockland, for A. H. M. S., by A. W. But-
ler..... 64 63
South Freeport, of which from the in-
fant class, \$1.01, by Arthur Smith..... 47 52

Waldoboro, Legacy, from Mrs. Cathe-
rine R. Allen, by Edward R. Benner, Adm..... \$50 00
Warren, Second, by Rev. F. S. Hunne-
well..... 9 00
Winthrop, \$2 of which from Rev. H. S.
Loring, to complete L. Mp. of Miss
Bertha May Loring..... 8 15
Woodfords, by Joseph H. Clark..... 57 46
Yarmouth, First, for chapel at Jackman,
by C. L. Maeston..... 30 00
Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, Mrs.
R. M. Crosby, Treas..... 40 86
Coupons, Dividends, etc..... 990 60

\$2,105 90

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSION- ARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the New Hampshire Home Mission-
ary Society from May 1, to July 1, 1891. L.
D. STEVENS, Treas.*

Brentwood..... \$2 50
Plymouth..... 16 50
Durham..... 17 75
Hollis..... 20 07
Hopkinton..... 3 36
St. Johnsbury, Vt., Mr. C. M. Morse.... 5 00
Amherst..... 17 60
Antrim, Pres. Ch. and Soc., \$30; Rev. W.
R. Cochrane, \$1..... 31 00
Saumon Falls..... 12 00
Winchester, Ladies' H. M. Soc., \$18; Ch.
and Soc., \$5, for special work among
the Germans, in full, to const. Mrs.
Sarah R. Burnap, and in part, to const.
Mrs. Alice R. Bliss L. Ms. of the A. H.
M. S..... 53 00
Dover, First..... \$9 90
From Source Unknown—A Friend—A
Thank-offering..... 20 00
New Ipswich..... 3 14
Newington..... 5 75
Sullivan Center..... 8 00
Orford..... 8 81
Rock County Conference..... 11 61
Nashua, First..... 80 00
Walpole, First..... 27 00
Keene, Mrs. W. H. Jones..... 2 00
Atkinson, Abigail L. Page, for A. H. M.
S., to const. Miss Lucinda J. Noyes a
L. M..... 50 00
Gilsun..... 14 00
Henniker, \$23.50; for A. H. M. S., \$105.50. 129 00
Sullivan County Conference..... 8 69
Warner, for A. H. M. S..... 10 00
Manchester, First Cong., to const. Mr.
John Prince a L. M. of A. H. M. S., and
Mr. Ebenezer Ferren a L. M. of N. H.
Home Miss. Soc..... 94 07
F. C. I. and H. M. Union, Miss A. A.
McFarland, Treas..... 103 00

\$193 65

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSION- ARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary
Society in July. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER,
Treas.*

Andover, West, by Frederic S. Boutwell. \$20 00
Bank Balances, May and June, Interest
on..... 43 33
Boston, "B. and L."..... 10 00
Dorchester, Village, S. S., by A. C.
Hawes, to const. Caroline F. Barnes
a L. M. of A. H. M. S..... 65 17

Park St., by E. F. Brackett	\$16 00	North Andover, by Jos. S. Sanborn, to	\$50 00
Roxbury, A Friend	1 00	const. Nellie M. Stillings, a L. M.	
Parker, Mrs. Susan E., by Miss H. M.		Northbridge, Whitinsville, Extra-cent-	
Atwood, for Mrs. Ward's use in aid		day Band, by Mrs. C. E. Whitin	16 65
of Yankton Coll.	30 00	North Brookfield, First, by John S.	
West, South Evan, by Mary E.		Cooke, Treas., for A. H. M. S.	75 00
Pearce	11 10	Oxford, by O. F. Joslin, Thank-offering.	15 00
Union, by Wm. H. White	211 40	By Reuben Rich, with above, to const.	
Boxboro, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. C. S.		Miss Laura D. Stockwell, Mrs. Clara	
Woodward	9 00	L. S. Jackson, and Mrs. Eliza A. F.	
Braintree, First, by A. B. Keith	13 33	Child, L. Ms.	75 00
Brimfield, First, by M. H. Corbin	11 83	Pembroke, N. H., Mrs. M. W. Thompson	10 00
Brookfield, Evan, by J. M. Grover	41 00	Pittsfield, First, by Frank W. Dutton	61 63
Brookline, Harvard, by H. B. Eager	138 64	Randolph, by Joseph Graham	21 55
Brooklyn, N. Y., A Friend	5 00	Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson	25 00
Buckland, by E. F. Smith	24 6	Reed, Dwight, Fund, Income of	90 00
Life Member	2 00	Rockport, First, by Zeno A. Appleton	19 00
Cambridge, Est. of A. E. Hildreth, by		Salem, Tabernacle, by Jos. H. Phippen	230 18
Executors, for A. H. M. S.	500 00	S. S., by H. W. Packard, for circula-	
Shepard Memorial, by Geo. S. Saun-		tion of French paper, "Le Citoyen,"	
ders, to const. John B. Kempton, Mor-		etc.	20 00
ris A. Hall, Howard B. Flint, Chas.		Shrewsbury, by Henry Harlow	21 00
W. Spencer, Winthrop G. Hyde, and		South Hadley, First, by L. M. Gaylord	18 25
Rev. Leonard S. Parker, L. Ms.	800 00	Spencer, Erastus Jones, for French work	35 00
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, by N. H. Hol-		Charles Prouty, for French work	50 00
brook	43 30	Sudbury, Anonymous, add'l to gift of the	
Carter, Sabra Fund, Income of	6 00	Church	10 00
Charlestown, First, by E. L. Clark	15 25	Taunton, Winslow, by Edgar H. Reed	84 00
Chelsea, First, by H. W. Jeffers	34 00	Templeton, Trin., Y. P. Mission Circle,	
Chigwell, England, Miss S. L. Ropes, by		by Mrs. M. A. Whittemore	10 00
J. S. Ropes	10 00	Warwick, by E. C. Chase	22 00
Dana, by Rev. J. G. Willis	2 83	Watertown, Phillips, by J. Q. A. Pierce,	
Dedham, First, by C. Guild	149 22	to const. Mrs. A. L. Turner a L. M. of	
Douglas, Wells, Rev. James	32 50	A. H. M. S.	163 79
Dudley, First, by Alton Bisco	26 99	Wellesley Hills, by L. V. N. Peck	43 42
Easthampton, Payson, by H. L. Clark,	200 00	Westhampton, by A. D. Montague	25 09
for A. H. M. S.	75 00	West Newbury, First, by H. M. Goodrich	25 00
Gloucester, Evan., by Joseph O. Procter.		Westport, Pacific Union, S. S., by J. C.	
Lanesville, Haraden, Mrs. Eliza, by		Macomber	11 08
Rev. F. H. Reed, for Oklahoma work	30 00	Weymouth, South, Second, by Rev. H. C.	
Magnolia, by Grace S. Fuller	5 10	Alford	32 00
Greenfield, Second, by Lucy A. Spar-		Whitin, J. C., Fund, Income of	120 00
hawk	32 02	Woman's H. M. Assoc., by Miss S. K.	
Hale, E. J. M., Fund, Income of	34 00	Burgess, Treas.	10 00
Hampden Benevolent Association,		Worcester, Belmont, by L. N. Smith	3 30
by Chas. Marsh, Treas.		Hope, by Gen'l Missionary Taft, for	
Blandford	\$8 00	Sunday service	10 00
Chicopee, First	69 54	Park, by Gen'l Missionary Taft, for	
Friend	5 00	Sunday service	10 00
Huntington, Second	23 72	Piedmont, by C. F. Marble	40 00
Palmer, Second	75 00	Union, by S. Newton	257 45
Springfield, South	122 23		
Westfield, First	14 97		
West Springfield, Mittineague	9 85		
Park St.	50 03		
	428 33	HOME MISSIONARY	\$5,738 06
			3 60
			\$5,741 66
Haverhill, Center, by Ezra Kelley	85 00		
Hinsdale, by C. J. Kittredge	8 40		
Hopkinton, First, by F. O. Thompson, for			
A. H. M. S.	84 27		
Jessup, C. A., Fund, Income of	150 00		
Kingston, Mayflower, by M. H. Peck-			
ham	10 00		
Lawrence, Lawrence St., by Rev. W. E.			
Volcott, for local French work	12 50		
Trinity, by W. E. Rowell, for local			
French work	25 00		
Leicester, First, by J. C. Watson	45 77		
Lenox, by E. C. Carter, in part	34 15		
Mansfield, by Rev. Jacob Ide	15 09		
Middleboro, Central, by E. O. Parker	41 27		
North, by Solomon White	51 13		
Millbury, First, by O. good H. Waters	82 51		
New Marlboro, Southfield, Mrs. E. S.			
Canfield	1 00		
Newton Center, First, by F. H. Scudder	140 71		
Eliot, by D. E. Snow	230 09		
Geo. C. Buell, for A. H. M. S.	18 00		
Silsby, Ithiel Homer, Estate of, on			
acct., by H. B. Hooker, Adm., etc.	2,500 00		
Norfolk, Union, by Wm. E. Mann	3 50		
Northampton, Edwards, Benev. Soc., by			
S. D. Drury	157 25		

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Mission- ary Association in July. Miss NATHALIE LORD, Home Secretary.	
Portsmouth, N. H., Ladies of North Ch.	
Auxiliary, by Mrs. L. E. Matthews,	
box.	\$16 00
Stockbridge, Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. C. P.	
Warner, barrel	80 73
Williamstown, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by	
Mrs. J. H. Denison, barrels	200 00
	\$296 73

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECT- ICUT.	
Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecti- cut in July, 1891. WARD W. JACOBS, Treas.	
Avon, by Rev. N. J. Seeley	\$6 00
Bethlehem, by William R. Harrison	29 00
Bridgeport, First, by Enoch P. Hincks	237 81
Black Rock, by D. H. Sturges	68 65

Canaan, by Rev. C. W. Hanna, for A. H. M. S.	\$3 60
Falls Village, by Rev. C. W. Hanna, for A. H. M. S.	4 00
Coventry, Second, by E. C. Chapman, to const. Mrs. Jennie K. Weaver, of Coventry, a L. M.	70 75
East Granby, by James R. Viets.	5 01
Essex, Second, by S. J. Tiley.	22 15
Fairfield, by O. B. Jennings, for A. H. M. S., to const. Rev. Frank S. Child a L. M., \$17.42; additional, \$2	129 42
Glastonbury, South, Ch. and S. S., by H. D. Hale.	10 13
Haddam, First, by Mary E. H. Arnold, \$19.41; additional, \$3	22 41
Hartford, Talcott St., Ch. and S. S., by Estelle E. Francis.	6 00
Kent, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. A. L. Tuttle	2 12
Killingly, Danielsonville, by Chas. Phillips, \$41.53; for A. H. M. S., \$51.74	93 27
Lyme, Grassy Hill, by J. S. Hall, add'l.	3 00
Manchester, Second, by Levi Drake, \$100; for A. H. M. S., \$100	200 00
Mansfield, First, by F. E. Delzell.	8 75
Middlebury, by Marcus De Forest.	23 94
Middletown, First, by L. F. Denio.	120 17
New Haven, First, by F. S. Bradley, \$ 12 74; additional, \$3	115 74
New London, First, by H. C. Learned.	40 66
New Milford, by C. H. Noble.	9 31
New Haven, by Whitney Elliott.	61 00
Norwalk, East, Swedish, by Rev. Oscar Lindgren.	5 00
Norwich, First, by Lewis A. Hyde, \$123; Lewis A. Hyde, personal, \$25	150 00
Broadway, by S. B. Bishop.	200 00
Old Lyme, First, by William F. Coult.	5 00
Orange, West Haven, by S. J. Bryant.	37 84
Portland, Swedish, Evangelical Mission Ch., by Rev. Carl E. Carlson.	3 62
Salisbury, by Perry Warner.	2 00
Simsbury, by A. S. Chapman.	110 82
Thomaston, by P. Darlow, \$32.20; additional, \$16.55	49 05
Washington, by C. L. Hickox, \$57.57; for A. H. M. S., \$57.56	115 13
West Hartford, "G." personal.	42 00
Weston, Georgetown, Swedish, by Rev. N. C. Christensen.	5 00
Westport, Green's Farms, by Silas B. Sherwood.	34 45
Windham, by William Swift.	50 00
Windsor, First, by S. H. Barber, \$67.93; for A. H. M. S., \$10	77 95
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Miss E. R. Camp, Sec.: A friend in the Ladies' Benev. Soc. in Enfield, by Mrs. G. N. Booth.	2 00
	\$2,275 45

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in June, 1891. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Algona.	\$10 52
Aurelia.	2 80
Belmond.	7 25
Cedar Rapids, First, \$56.77; Y. P. S. C. E. \$6.59	63 36
First, S. S.	8 35
Mission, S. S.	65
Clay.	15 12
Eagle Grove.	5 00
Green Mountain, S. S. and ladies.	7 75
Harmony.	1 78
Independence, Ch. and pastor.	12 65
Minden.	13 29
Orient.	6 00
Pleasant Grove.	5 65
Rockford.	10 25
Rodney.	1 80

Sheldon.	\$12 75
Sioux City, "Carl Beaman's purse"	3 25
Smithland.	1 50
Spencer, First.	9 50
Stacyville.	5 60
Wilton.	2 60
Winthrop.	13 40
Des Moines, J. H. Merrill.	100 00
Polk City, Robert McCanold.	2 00
Fredericksburg, Mrs. G. L. Morris.	200 00
Wilton, J. D. Wells.	4 50
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, Treas.	104 52
	\$630 94

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in June, 1891. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Albion, First.	\$97 54
Union.	\$3 77
Wm. Marriott.	25 00
Rev. and Mrs. P. W. Wallace.	10 00
	43 77
Wanboro Ch., James Green.	5 00
Aurora, Mrs. I. M. Howell.	20 00
Carpentersville, "The Helpers"	40 00
Chicago, First.	97 31
Union Park.	\$37 00
Mrs. L. A. Bushnell.	100 00
	477 00
Sedgwick St. S. S.	15 00
Bethlehem Ch., Woman's Miss. Soc.	29 5
Childicothe.	1 00
Danvers, C. H. Carpenter.	2 00
De Pue.	3 00
Evanston.	125 00
Jalesburg, J. W. Dieterich.	100 00
Geneseo, Mrs. E. L. Atkinson.	5 00
Grayville, Ridge Ch.	18 53
Olive Ch.	5 04
Moline, Miss Martha E. Atkinson.	20 00
Odell, Daniel Worthley.	23 00
Payson, Edward Seymour.	25 00
Peoria, Union Chapel.	48 00
Providence, George C. Kellogg.	5 00
Rockford, First.	179 38
Springfield, Second, \$6; D. A. De Vares, \$25.	31 00
Tonica, \$12.25; Y. P. S. C. E., \$1.79.	14 04
Western Springs.	32 27
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Treas.	
Bowmanville.	\$25 60
Chicago, Leavitt St.	9 80
South Park.	6 00
Dwight.	5 00
Plano.	6 12
Rockford, Second.	11 00
	62 92

A Friend.	43 28
"R." Thomasboro.	5 00
Miss Mattie Thrall, Bone Gap.	2 50
Rev. C. F. Read, Chicago.	2 50
	\$1,581 43

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged.	\$38,842 69
Connecticut, Bridgeport, \$50; Middletown, \$50; New Haven, \$46; Pomfret, \$10	156 00
Nebraska, Lincoln, \$6; Verdon, \$3.	9 00
New Hampshire, Concord, \$8.52; Pelham, \$16; West Concord, \$13.50.	42 02
	\$39,049 71

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AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1891, TO AUGUST 1, 1891.

	A.H.M.S.	For Pastor's Salary.*		A.H.M.S.	For Pastor's Salary.*
New Hampshire.....	\$419 16		Indiana.....	\$138 52	
Minnesota.....	1,349 27		Southern California.....	45 55	
Massachusetts.....	893 57		Vermont.....	751 87	
Rhode Island.....			Colorado.....	435 39	
Maine.....	1,329 17		Wyoming.....		
Michigan.....	735 08		Georgia.....	29 65	
Kansas.....	96 86		Alabama.....		
Ohio.....	366 50		Mississippi.....		
New York.....	973 11		Louisiana.....	1 00	
Wisconsin.....	131 32		Arkansas.....		
North Dakota.....	5 69		Kentucky.....		
Oregon.....	290 15	5 66	Tennessee.....		
Washington.....	74 15		North Carolina.....		
Northern Idaho.....			Texas.....		
South Dakota.....	15 36		Montana.....	58 50	
Connecticut.....	354 50		Pennsylvania.....		
Missouri.....	117 91		Oklahoma.....		
Illinois.....	6-2 22		New Jersey.....		
Iowa.....	1,333 29		Dist. Columbia.....	256 17	
California.....			Maryland.....		
Nebraska.....	381 76		Virginia.....		
Florida.....	223 25		Utah.....		
			Total.....	\$11,544 97	

* This column is to show amounts, as reported to the Woman's Dept., contributed by W. H. M. auxiliaries in struggling churches to help pay the pastor's salary, but not credited to any organization.

Woman's State H. M. Organizations.

OFFICERS.

1.
NEW HAMPSHIRE.
FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION,
 Organized August, 1804.
 AND
HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
 Organized June, 1890.
President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.
Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.
Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2.
MINNESOTA.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
 Organized September, 1872.
President, Miss Katherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.
Secretary, Miss Catherine T. Plant, 2651 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3.
MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.*
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,
 Organized February, 1880.
President, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.
Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.
Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

4.
MAINE.
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,
 Organized June, 1880.
President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.
Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 163 Hammond St., Bangor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St. Bangor.

5.
MICHIGAN.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
 Organized May, 1881.
President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexander Ave., Detroit.
Secretary, Mrs. Leroy Warren, Olivet.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabbil, Greenville.

6.
KANSAS.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
 Organized October, 1881.
President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.
Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

7.
OHIO.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
 Organized May, 1882.
President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St., Cleveland.
Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

8.
NEW YORK.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
 Organized October, 1883.
President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave., Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St., Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, 59 Bible House, New York City.

9.
WISCONSIN.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
 Organized October, 1883.
President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 540 State St., Madison.
Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Jackson, 117 Washington St., Janesville.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

10.

NORTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1883.

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.
Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

11.

OREGON.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized July, 1884.

President, Mrs. John Sommierville, 147 First St., Portland.
Secretary, Mrs. H. J. Livermore, Oregon City.
Treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 Park St., Portland.

12.

WASHINGTON.

INCLUDING NORTHERN IDAHO.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,

Organized July, 1884.

Re-organized June, 1889.

President, Mrs. N. F. Cobleigh, Walla Walla.
Mrs. E. Wilcox, Spokane Falls, Eastern Washington.
Secretary, Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 406 Tacoma Ave., Tacoma, Western Washington.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Abrams, Ellensburg.

13.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized September, 1884.

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbins, Bowdle.
Secretary, Miss Ida E. Willcutt, Willow Lakes.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Lake Preston.

14.

CONNECTICUT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized January, 1885.

President, Mrs. Jacob A. Biddle, 35 West St., So. Norwalk.
Secretary, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New Britain.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St., Hartford.

15.

MISSOURI.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3841 Delmar Ave., St. Louis.
Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3555 Washington Ave., St. Louis.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St. Louis.

16.

ILLINOIS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. Isaac Clafflin, Lombard.
Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Tainter, 151 Washington St., Chicago.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Champaign.

17.

IOWA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1886.

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.
Secretary, Miss Ella E. Marsh, Box 232, Grinnell.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St., Dubuque.

18.

CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

Organized October, 1887.

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 656 34th St., Oakland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. W. Eckley, 1521 Schilla St., Alameda.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St., Oakland.

19.

NEBRASKA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1887.

President, Mrs. T. B. Leavitt, 837 So. 13th St., Lincoln.
Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Smith, 716 High St., Beatrice.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Crete.

20.

FLORIDA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized February, 1888.

President, Mrs. S. F. Gale, Jacksonville.
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Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Interlachen.

21.

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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. E. C. Bell, 221 Christian Ave., Indianapolis.
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22.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. Emma Cash, 1710 Temple St., Los Angeles.
Secretary, Mrs. H. K. W. Bent, Box 442, Pasadena.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Spencer, 419 W. Second St., Los Angeles.

23.

VERMONT.

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Organized June, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. B. Swift, 167 King Street, Burlington.
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24.

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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1888.

President, Mrs. J. W. Pickett, White Water, Colorado.
Secretary, Miss Mary L. Martin, 106 Platte Ave., Colorado Springs, Colorado.
Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.
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25.

GEORGIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. F. Sherrill, 236 West Peachtree St., Atlanta.
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Treasurer, Miss Virginia Holmes, Barnesville.

26.

ALABAMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized March, 1873.

Re-organized April, 1889.

President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.
Secretary, Miss S. S. Evans, 2519 Third Ave., Birmingham.
Treasurer, Miss M. K. Lunt, Selma.

27.

MISSISSIPPI.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Sarah Dickey, Clinton.
Secretary, Miss Alice Flagg, Tougaloo.
Treasurer, Miss Mary Gibson, Tougaloo.

25.

LOUISIANA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Jennie Fyfe, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Secretary*, Miss Anna F. Condict, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. S. Shattuck, Amite City, 29.

ARKANSAS, KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE CENTRAL SOUTH ASSOCIATION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Mrs. E. M. Cravath, Fisk University Nashville, Tenn.*Secretary*, Mrs. Anna Cahill Bennett, Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.*Treasurer*, Mrs. G. S. Pope, Harriman, Tenn. 30.

30.

NORTH CAROLINA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized October, 1889.

President, Miss M. E. Wilcox, Beaufort.*Secretary*, Miss A. E. Farrington, Raleigh*Treasurer*, Mrs. Geo. S. Smith, 116 W. South St. Raleigh.

31.

TEXAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized March, 1890.

President, Mrs. S. E. Acheson, 1219 W. Woodard St., Denison.*Secretary*, Mrs. M. A. McCoy, 190 No. Harwood St., Dallas.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Lock Box 220, Dallas.

32.

MONTANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1890.

President, Mrs. F. D. Kelsey, Helena.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. S. Bell, 410 Dearborn Ave. Helena.*Treasurer*, Mrs. S. A. Wallace, Billings.

33.

PENNSYLVANIA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. W. H. Osterhout, Ridgway.*Secretary*, Mrs. C. F. Yennie, Ridgway.*Treasurer*, Mrs. T. W. Jones, 218 So. 37th St. Philadelphia.

34.

OKLAHOMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October 1890.

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35.

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36.

UTAH.

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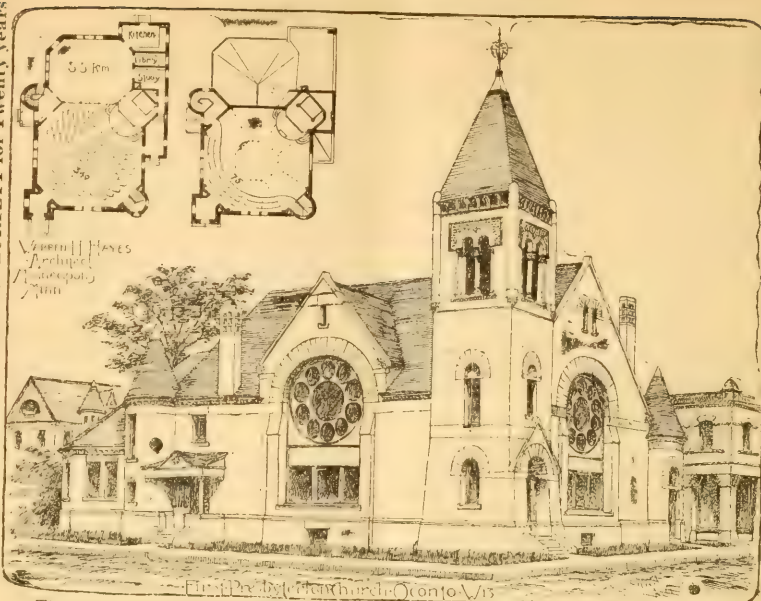
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WHITMAN'S RIDE.

BY EVA EMERY DYE, OREGON CITY, OREGON.

OVER the hills rode Whitman,
Scal'd the snow-capped mountain wall,
Over the pathless plains in winter,
Boldest rider of them all.
Down deep ravines, in canyons hoary,
Over roaring, rapid streams,
Thro' savage lands with murder gory,
The eye of the statesman gleams;
For he sees far off in the future
For his own fair country won,
The wonderful vales and hills and dales
Of bounteous Oregon.
Over the hills rode Whitman,
Bearing an empire's fate,
From sea to sea on his good gray steed,
A courier that could not wait,—
For away to the west was a fairer land
Than Moses beheld of old,
A land of fruits and evergreen hills
Where the gray Columbia rolled.
Over the hills rode Whitman
And into the halls of State,
Where Webster sat with kingly men
Engaged in high debate.
There in the nation's Congress
Our missionary won,
The rich-veined hills and laughing rills
Of bounteous Oregon.

PERSONAL SKETCHES OF OUR SUPERINTENDENTS. XVI.

SUPERINTENDENT CLAPP, of Oregon, was born at Lamoille, Ill., and is forty-six years of age. His father came to Illinois from Northampton, Mass., his mother from New York. The parents were earnest Christians of the robust type, stanch abolitionists, and strong advocates of temperance.

The home was a station on the "Underground Railroad," and among the earliest recollections of the children are the political and religious discussions carried on there. "Uncle Tom's Cabin," published as a serial, was read aloud by the head of the household, by the light of a tallow dip. The whole family entered into the spirit, the children never doubting but that every word was gospel truth, for novels were tabooed in that home.

The subject of this sketch was the third in a family of seven children. The parents were pioneers. There was much to be done, and every member of the household was expected to work. Idleness was inexcusable, debt almost a crime, and dishonesty an unpardonable sin. As much of an education as limited means would allow was given to each of the children, which was usually three months' schooling each winter in the district school, and, if the exchequer would permit, six months or a year at a neighboring academy.

An unusually good crop of corn enabled the present subject to carry his studies further. By boarding himself and doing all sorts of work to meet expenses, he took two years at an academy and two years at college.

During a powerful revival under the labors of Evangelist Hammond, at Springfield, Ill., he was converted. A faithful pastor, Rev. Darius Gore, upon learning of his conversion, immediately wrote to him, calling his attention to the ministry. A single sentence containing the essence of the letter made a powerful impression upon the mind of the young man just leaving school, and gave direction to his whole after life. He said:

"The Lord Jesus Christ has left nothing undone that he might save your soul. Now resolve to sell your life as dearly as possible for Him."

From that moment the question of entering the ministry was never absent from his mind until it was finally settled, and he entered Chicago Seminary.

Having graduated from the seminary, two fields were open to him: one a delightful church with a united people and a good membership; the other a discouraged home missionary church composed of nineteen women and two men. He chose the latter, and spent six happy years with the church at Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin.

At the close of this pastorate he went into evangelistic work for another six years. In the Mississippi Valley, along Lakes Michigan and Superior, and as far west as the Rockies, he found abundant field for labor, and harvests white. This work was greatly enjoyed.

Called to Bethany Church, Chicago, with which he had spent a few months while taking a vacation, and at the same time to the church at Yankton, So. Dak., he accepted the latter, where he spent four delightful years. From there he went to Oakland, Cal., to open a new work in a promising part of the city. During the two years spent there the new organization, begun under home missionary auspices, erected a beautiful house of worship at a cost of \$14,000, and came to self-support.

In the spring of 1890, Dr. G. H. Atkinson, so long and faithfully identified with the work in Oregon, having passed to his reward, Mr. Clapp was called to take his place as superintendent in that State. Having been urged at three previous times to this position in other States, he found for the first time the way clear to acceptance. He thoroughly enjoys this work, and looks for glorious things for Oregon.

OREGON.

BY REV. CEPHAS F. CLAPP, SUPERINTENDENT, OREGON.

OREGON, situated between California and Washington, has an average length of 360 miles east and west, a width of 260 miles, and an area of 95,000 square miles. It has a coast line on the Pacific Ocean of 300 miles. The Columbia River on the north forms the boundary line for an equal distance, while the Snake River on the east forms a boundary between this State and Idaho for 150 miles.

The Columbia is navigable for ocean-going vessels a hundred miles, and the Willamette twelve miles farther; so that Portland is reached by ocean steamers, while smaller river boats can go several hundred miles farther up the Columbia, and 130 miles farther up the Willamette.

The State contains three ranges of mountains, two of which, the Cascade and Coast ranges, extend across the State from north to south, while the Blue range, forming a spur of the Cascades, runs northeasterly through the eastern part of the State. Two thirds of the State is mountainous, with wide rich valleys.

It is well supplied with rivers which are rapid, clear, and cold, furnishing an abundance of the finest fish, such as salmon and shad in the larger streams and trout in the smaller ones. The rapidity of nearly all streams in Oregon furnishes water-power that, while as yet almost untouched, is practically unlimited. The falls on the Willamette, at Oregon City, are said to furnish one of the largest water-powers in the world. Even here but a small part of this immense power is used. One

sixth of the State is covered with forests so dense and valuable that a single tract in the southern part of the State is estimated to contain enough lumber, if cut and marketed at ten dollars a thousand, to more than pay the national debt. As yet, however, the lumber industry is hardly more than in its infancy. The same may be said with truthfulness of most other industries with the exception, perhaps, of salmon-canning and the raising of horses, sheep, and cattle. The wheat industry is the oldest, and has been the most profitable of all the agricultural pursuits. Most of the western part of the State, and especially between the Cascade and Coast ranges, is admirably adapted to fruit raising while vegetables grow to perfection in this region.

The Columbia is 1,300 miles long. The other principal rivers are the Willamette, 150 miles from where it is formed by the junction of three rivers near Eugene City, to its mouth; the John Day and the Des Chutes, each 250 miles long; while the Malheur, the Umatilla, Hood, McKinzie, Rogue, Umpqua, Wilson, and others, are shorter, but are to be important factors in the future development of the great lumbering interests of the State, being the natural outlets of the great forests.

The State is rich in mineral resources, containing gold, silver, copper, iron, coal, and stone for ornamental and building purposes.

The climate is varied. In the western part of the State it is moist and equable, in the eastern dry and varied, though even here it is modified by warm winds from the Pacific.

There are practically but two seasons in the western part of the State: the wet and the dry. The wet season begins about the latter part of November and lasts till March or April, during which more or less drizzling rains prevail, though there are many clear days. In the dry season the sky is usually clear, and while rain is not entirely wanting, there is very little from June to the last of September.

Almost the first settlement in the State was by Christian missionaries, and from an early date earnest and zealous workers have labored to save the people from the deadening influences of greed for gain and the spirit of adventure which characterized this coast. In this labor the sainted Dr. Atkinson was among the foremost; and when at last he laid down the harness after forty years of service with the American Home Missionary Society, no man in Oregon was better known or had a wider influence than he.

The feverish thirst for gold which would populate a city in a month and depopulate it again in the same time after the bubble had exploded, wrought untold hardship and disappointment to the spiritual workers. The settlement, in an early day, of large portions of the State by people of southern proclivities, and who were out of sympathy with Congregationalism, since it was supposed to be a New England production; the

isolation of the settlers in that part of the State devoted to stock-raising where, if a neighbor came nearer than five miles he was "crowding himself in"; the lack of religious services always incident to the lumbering and mining camp; while, at the same time all this region was cut off from communication with the rest of the world except by long, tedious, and expensive journeys; all these conditions conspired to reduce to the minimum the results of faithful, wise, and courageous efforts on the part of the servants of God.

But a new Oregon is here. Reinforcements are coming, and many are already on the field. The foundations of Congregationalism were well laid and the building will progress rapidly.

The population was at the last census, 315,000, and while it is difficult to predict what will be the immigration for the next ten years, it will be something enormous. Every city, village, and hamlet is feeling the impetus of this coming stream. Saw-mills, factories, and manufacturing establishments are being projected on a larger scale than ever before. The natural resources are almost unlimited and will surely attract the seekers after wealth, and the Gospel must meet them with its modifying, sanctifying influence. There is already vast wealth accumulating at important centers. Sabbath breaking and the baneful influences of the saloon are everywhere present.

Portland is fast becoming the center of a great commercial interest. Last year the exports from that city alone were: for wheat and flour, seven and a half million dollars; and for canned salmon, a million and a half dollars. Add to this the vast wool, lumber, and fruit industries, and although these are but in their infancy, it is easy to see what the near future will be so far as money interests are concerned.

The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ must see to it that this wealth is consecrated. Things are still in the formative; they can be molded for good more easily now than ever again. Institutions of education need to be wisely planned and diligently worked. Religion needs to be intense—not merely a theory, but a mighty moving force. The men in the field are consecrated and courageous, but many of them are trying to do more than can well be done. Great self-sacrifice is needed and is shown by the workers. A consecrated and self-sacrificing minister counts kind for more here than in almost any other portion of our country. No other should think of work on this coast. There may come a time when there will be easy fields in Oregon, but there are none now. Sin must here be grappled with in a hand-to-hand fight. The fruit is all hand-picked. The conflict is on between the forces of heaven and hell, and while the victory is sure, many a brave hero will fall and that without any earthly glory, though not unmarked of Heaven. Oregon will be saved for Christ, but we shall not all be in at the "Grand Review" when the troops come before an

earthly audience to receive their honors. Oregon was at first saved to the United States by a Christian missionary. It was saved again, when threatened by secession, by consecrated Christian ministers. It will be saved for Christ by the lives of the same devoted followers of Him who loved not his life unto death. It will be a privilege to have had some little part in bringing about this glorious result in Oregon.

EARLY PIONEERING IN OREGON.

I.

BY MRS. G. H. ATKINSON, PORTLAND, OR.

On our arrival in Oregon in 1848, via the Sandwich Islands, there was a great work before us. Churches were to be built, schools to be established, and orphan children to be cared for. Indeed, it seemed but a small part of life to care for one's own household. Two sad events—the death of our own child and one of our adoption—soon after our arrival, were followed by a long and severe illness. There was no physician nearer Oregon City than Fort Vancouver. Dr. Barclay, physician of the Hudson Bay Company, was not allowed, according to the rules of the Company, to visit patients outside of the Fort. By the blessing of God I was spared.

As health returned, I organized a Juvenile Missionary Society for the benefit of our little orphan girl and others in Oregon City. We met Saturday afternoons. Having planned for the work before coming to Oregon, I was supplied with suitable missionary intelligence to read to the children. The girls became much interested, and through our efforts twenty-five dollars were collected and sent to the children's fund for the education of heathen children in South Africa. My home duties becoming exacting, I was obliged to leave this work, and as no one seemed able to take charge of it we discontinued the meetings.

The resident pastors' wives organized a Maternal Association and Ladies' Prayer Meeting. We met once a week for prayer and conference, and once a month had a meeting for the children. The removal of some of the ministers' families caused a discontinuance of the Association, and a ladies' prayer meeting was instituted, in connection with our church, which continued with very little interruption, although sometimes only one besides myself was present, until I engaged in teaching in 1862. Having been accustomed to such meetings in the church at home, they seemed necessary to the sisters here.

We were called upon to "use hospitality." Often we received at our home, ministers, teachers, and, generally, the Christian people who came to Oregon City. Frequently many were in trouble and very destitute.

Our garden—perhaps the only one—was an attraction to these strangers after the long trip by sea, or across the plains. To extend this hospitality cheerfully and heartily upon a small salary, with exorbitant prices for supplies, and without help, was difficult. A friend, knowing of my lame hand, kindly sent a colored man to our aid. My husband asked what pay he expected, and he said, "One hundred dollars a month for doing the cooking." Mr. Atkinson replied, "I have five hundred dollars as my salary, and it will be impossible to pay you twelve hundred; and besides, we have very little to cook!"

We enjoyed the coming of recruits from the East. They were made welcome, and their presence at family worship was greatly appreciated. John Gulick, a boy of sixteen years, who came with us from the Sandwich Islands, remained until he went to the mines for his health and to gain means to pursue his studies, which he accomplished. He is now a missionary in China. Two children were added to our family in 1849 and 1851.

The church was built in 1850; we boarded the workmen. The Ladies' Aid Society furnished the building, and later made the stone wall, a portion of which still remains in front of the parsonage.

Mr. Atkinson felt that more must be done for the best good of Oregon, and that he must make a journey to the East in its behalf. He left in April, 1852, after arranging for us to spend the summer with Rev. and Mrs. Clark, of Forest Grove. A more self-denying, generous, kind-hearted couple I think never were known. They gave much of the campus and land to Pacific University and bought the present college bell. They occupied a comfortable log house, shaded by large, spreading oaks. At a little distance from their house was a small, neat log building of one room which the children and myself occupied, while we took our meals and had worship together in the large house. I used to think what a pity it would be to have fine houses in this lovely place, to detract from the beauties of nature. The scenery on the Tualatin plains was wonderful beyond description.

We became attached to Mrs. Burton—a friend of Mr. and Mrs. Clark, and widow of a foreign missionary. We were grateful to Providence for our many friends in this emergency. The separation from the husband and father by so many miles, and the uncertainty of life and health, could not be forgotten.

Because of impaired health, Mr. Clark kindly took our family back to Oregon City, so that we might take passage on the "Lot Whitcomb" for Astoria, where we remained until it was arranged for us to go to Clatsop Plains. On returning to our home, Miss W——, of Albany, N. Y., one of the five teachers sent out by Governor Slade's society, came to us. In fact, they all remained in our house until places were found for them.

In the spring our family was reunited. Mr. Atkinson reached home with a competent gentleman and lady to take charge of the Female Seminary at Oregon City, and a lady teacher—sister of Miss W——, and with contributions for scholarships for young ladies in the Seminary. This institution has been the means of educating a large number of Oregon girls.

It seemed no task then to do the work for a family of twelve, and a new impulse was given to every department of effort. We rejoiced in the addition of stable Congregational families and friends, who were able supporters and valuable helpers in all our church work. My work was by no means easy, but frequent rides and occasional trips up the valley, recruited strength, and we thus became acquainted with the people and their needs. They were kind and generous, though enjoying few comforts and conveniences. We were grateful to them, and when we returned, our own work was lightened by what we had seen of contentment and cheer amid privation.

Fifteen of the more than forty years of missionary work in Oregon were spent in connection with the church at Oregon City, and it is a matter of rejoicing that they were not in vain. The church has continued strong to this day. On the historic spot now stands a beautiful new structure, a part of it being the first church building with the audience room slightly changed. Two flourishing missions, with new buildings, prove the vigor of the parent church and the labors of those now at work there.

II.

BY MRS. I. N. GILBERT, SALEM, OR.

LET us go back to the year 1848. Standing on the shore of the Willamette, a boat is seen approaching the shore. As we scan the company on deck, we are attracted by the appearance of a tall and noble looking young man. At his side stands his winsome wife. Immediately the question arises, "Who are these? Is that the Governor who has been sent here?" For in those days governors and judges were appointed for Oregon. The committee who were in waiting to receive them replied, "They are Rev. G. H. Atkinson and wife, sent here by the American Home Missionary Society to organize Congregational churches in Oregon." Dr. Atkinson found a small church at Oregon City which had been organized in 1844 as a Presbyterian church, but, in 1849, by a vote of its members, it became a Congregational church.

Dr. Atkinson's first sermon was preached in a house owned by Mr. Hatch; afterward the court room was fitted up and rented for church services. In 1850, the lot in which the church now stands, was bought for \$250. In August of the same year the wandering ark settled down

in the wing of its present church building. Dr. Atkinson preached the dedication sermon, and was assisted in the services by Rev. J. H. Wilbur, of the Methodist Church, Mr. Johnson, of the Baptist Church, and Mr. Fackler, of the Episcopal Church. This was the first formal dedication of a church in Oregon, and probably of a Protestant church on the Pacific coast.

The entire cost of this Oregon City church was \$3,900. Only \$1,600 was then subscribed. The deficit was a burden the pastor and church were compelled to carry. Everything was very expensive; lumber, \$80 a thousand, carpenters' wages \$10 a day, windows \$20 apiece, and all other things in proportion. Those were the days of newly discovered gold mines in California—days of great toil and labor, with many discouragements for missionary workers.

That little church under the hill stands as a monument of PIONEER LIFE in Oregon. I shall ever remember the first day of November, 1851, when my husband and myself took a horse-back ride, that being the only way of travel from Salem to Oregon City, in order to be present on the following Sabbath when my husband was to unite with the church. That was the nearest Congregational church to us.

In 1849, Rev. H. Lyman and wife arrived. They had been sent out from New York a year previous. They were sixty days in traveling from San Francisco to Portland, and two more in going to Oregon City, their destination. The distance from Portland to Oregon City is made now in fifty one minutes. In the early part of 1849 Dr. Atkinson went from Oregon City to Portland, which was then beginning to show signs of becoming a town. He held two services, one in a log shingle-shop, with batten doors, shingle blocks for seats, and a row of window-panes, set in a log, for light. The other service was held in an old shingle warehouse, the congregation crowding in among boxes and bales of goods. In 1850, Mr. Lyman went to Portland and commenced building a church. He pushed the work with an earnestness and vigor characteristic of our early missionaries. The building was dedicated June 15, 1851, and a church of ten members was organized.

Few missionaries are obliged to endure the hardships that befell this brother and his young wife. No doubt Mrs. Lyman's poor health in after years, and her early death, were in great measure due to the exposure of the first few years in Portland. Their home was a shanty made of green lumber, and the weather was very inclement. Necessities and comforts were meager, and luxuries there were none. People who come here to day, and find friends, good homes, and pleasant surroundings, realize very faintly the difference between then and now.

The first Congregational church in Oregon was organized in 1842, near Hillsboro, by Rev. J. S. Griffin. The second church was organ-

ized in Forest Grove in 1845, Rev. Harvey Clark, pastor. There were only these two churches previous to the arrival of Dr. Atkinson and Rev. Horace Lyman. There were twenty-five members in all. The Salem Church was organized by Rev. J. W. Goodell, July 4, 1852, with four members. He was sent out by the A. H. M. S. In 1852 Rev. B. Dickinson arrived and began a ministry which lasted over fourteen years. The first place of meeting was in an old school-house, without paint or plaster, paper or cloth, with no pulpit, and rough benches for seats. The house was imperfectly lighted with tallow candles, but what we lacked in comfort was made up in devotion to the cause of Christ. We had good preaching, good Sunday-schools earnest prayers, and faithful workers. A larger proportion of old and young attended church services then than now. During the first eight years of its existence, the church received aid from the American Home Missionary Society, and I know that during those eight years of toil and struggle in building a church and supporting its ministers, we could not have succeeded and held together as a church without the aid given by the Society. I suppose our history is similar to that of the twenty-two churches of Oregon.

Persons coming here to-day know but little of the hardships endured by the early missionaries and their devoted wives—in fact, *all* who helped in the glorious work of building up Congregationalism in Oregon. Eternity alone will reveal the good that has been done by the earnest Christian workers of that early day in molding the Society. More than once I have known our pastor to go to the Association without one delegate to cheer his heart. That was before ladies were elected as delegates. While we care not to be deacons or elders, we do know by experience, what it means to be hewers of wood and drawers of water, and as we look back over the past, we are thankful our Heavenly Father has given us a part in this glorious work.

The Albany Church was organized May 1, 1843, near Council Bluffs, Iowa, by Rev. Dr. Wood of the Congregational Church, Oskaloosa, Iowa, with five members—Rev. M. B. Starr, Mrs. E. G. Starr, Miss Louisa Starr, Mr. C. Bane, and Mr. R. H. Robb. Rev. M. C. Starr was chosen its first pastor, and Mr. Robb, clerk. This was a Starr church and has a bright history.

Like Israel of old, this church crossed the wilderness in its organized form. It would be a matter of interest could we know something of the life of its members during that long and tedious journey; what dangers they endured; what trials beset them; their hopes, aspirations, councils, and plans for the kingdom of Christ, in this new land toward which they journeyed. But there is no record of this. The next we hear of this little band they are in Judge Thornton's law office, declaring themselves

the First Congregational Church of Albany, organized a year previous, and now many miles distant from the place of first consecration and covenant. In consequence of failing health, Mr. Starr resigned his charge in 1855, and Rev. T. Condon was employed as pastor, and served the church until 1861 when he resigned, and moved to The Dalles. Mr. Condon was "founded on the rock" and has been digging among the rocks ever since, and, while he is not a fossil, is dealing with fossils of every kind. In 1859 the Albany church building was begun, but was not completed until 1865. Rev. D. Gray became acting pastor and taught in the public school at the same time. In 1854, Mr. Starr organized a church at Corvallis. He continued to be its pastor for several years. This church, with the one at Sand Ridge, received home missionary support from 1858 until 1862. Every one of these churches had its struggles and trials. All of these noble men with their wives I have known personally. Each has worked arduously with his hands during the week and preached two or three sermons on the Sabbath. They have been an honor to Christ, faithful to those to whom they were sent, and are of that number, who, when their working days are over here, will hear that most welcome call, "Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

A TOUR OF OBSERVATION.

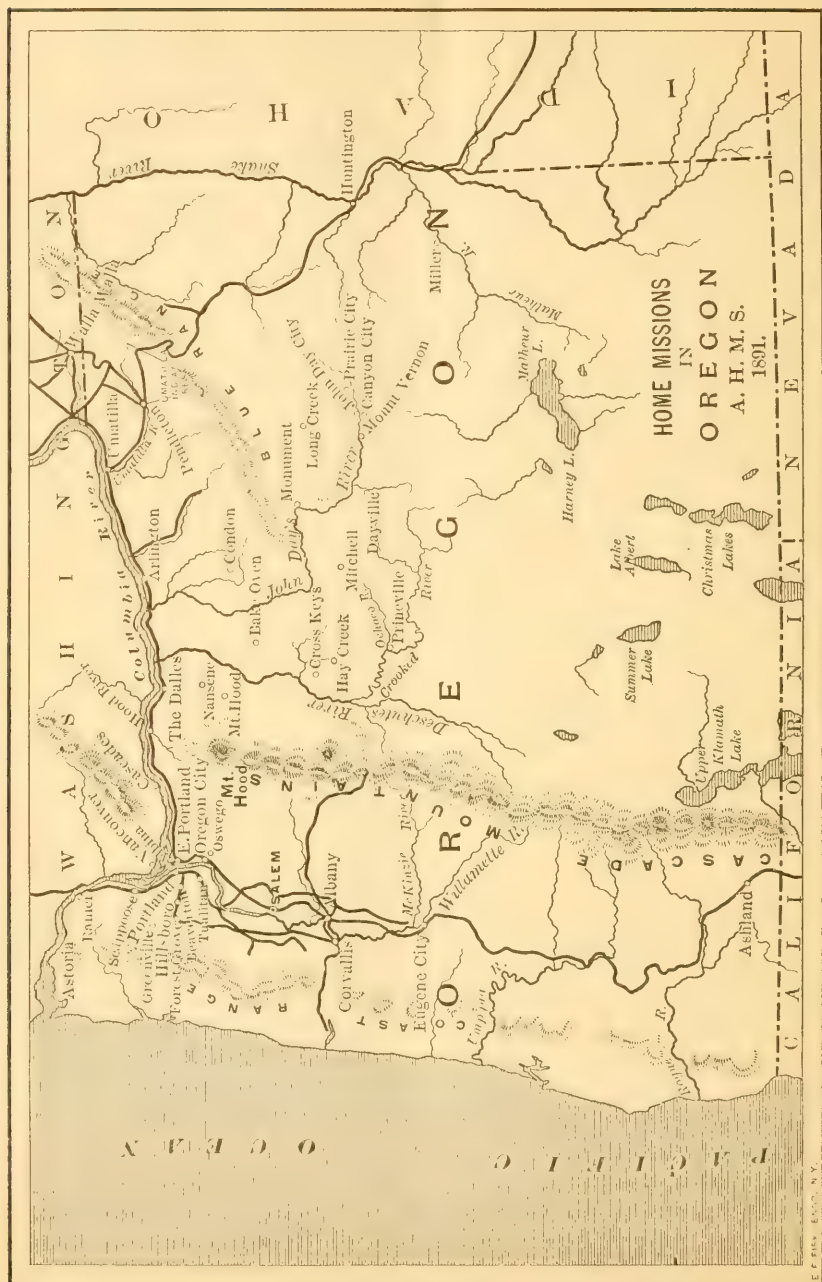
By REV. DANIEL STAYER, GENERAL MISSIONARY, OREGON.

I HAVE been making a tour of observation. You can trace my course upon the accompanying map. Between The Dalles and Bake Oven, a distance of fifty miles, there are the stage stations of Nansene and Shearer's Bridge. Bake Oven is a post-office and stage station; has a store and one family.

At Cross Keys the road drops down from the mountain into a beautiful valley, eight miles long and a mile wide, with a rich soil, but requiring irrigation. Here there are a half-dozen farmers with their families; they have a school house and forty children enrolled, but the district includes a township. They had a Sunday-school last summer, but no attempt has been made to organize this season.

Hay Creek is the headquarters of the Baldwin Sheep Ranch Co. Here there are a store, post office, and residence. This company has 36,000 sheep and 200 acres of alfalfa. There was a Sunday-school here last summer with twenty scholars; but Mrs. C., the only one willing to go ahead, is now away and until she returns the school will not be reorganized.

With the exception of a few narrow valleys, the country is a continuous series of high hills intersected by deep gorges. This country east



of the Cascades was practically opened to settlement by placer mining discoveries from 1861 to 1864, that being the only inducement then known to immigrants. The exhaustion of these placer diggings led gradually to the development of stock raising as a means of support to those who found the climate so pleasant as to induce them to remain. As a result, a few years saw immense flocks of sheep, herds of cattle, and bands of horses ranging this great interior, which soon became known as the "Stockman's Paradise." The more mountainous portions afforded grazing for the summer, while the great rolling hills and plateaus, with the famous natural "bunch grass," was reserved for winter range; the two combining to make all the herder could desire.

For all this region The Dalles is the commercial center, and for a district stretching far outside of its own county. All the wool from the region of Prineville, and some from as far east as Dayville, a distance of 150 miles, is freighted in wagons to this point. The shipment of 7,000,000 pounds annually establishes this as the greatest primary receiving point for this commodity in the United States. Of no less importance is the marketing of cattle and horses. Here great herds of cattle are yarded and shipped to Portland, Puget Sound, and elsewhere, during the winter and spring. And as a horse market this section is equally prominent; horses raised here attract buyers from all over the United States. But when you have said this much for this section of Eastern Oregon you have said enough. It is a stock country, and will never be anything else unless railroads develop new enterprises. Little attention has been paid to agriculture, and this little only to meet the demands of a home market.

Prineville, the county seat of Crook County, is the chief, and in fact the only town in this part of the State. Situated on the Ochoco River, near its confluence with the Crooked River, it may even in its isolation be called fairly thriving. It is quite a distributing supply point, and if ever reached by the projected Oregon Pacific Railway its 600 inhabitants may be swelled to several times that number. It has three church organizations, Methodist, Campbellite, and Baptist; and two church edifices, Methodist and Union. But most of the people are indifferent to religion, and the churches but poorly sustained. Only one Sunday school is kept up during the summer. Owing to its connection with the cattle range, the high heeled, spur-booted cow-boy still has full sway, the belted swagger still indulges in pyrotechnic frontier pleasantries, and the prospect miner still has his precarious existence, promise-crammed and sanguine, with nothing to-day, but a million to-morrow. These characters, if not in the majority, are numerous, and make society what it is in this part of Eastern Oregon. Still, the vernacular of Bake Oven, Mutton Mountain, Murderer's Creek, Tae Seven Devils, Poker Flat, Yuba Dam, and Dead Man's Gulch, has not quite banished all good English.

Because your Missionary drives a good-looking horse and does not wear his coat buttoned clean up to the neck, no one suspects that he is a minister of the Gospel, and he is plied with many questions similar to the following: "What you got there, a trotter?" "How fast is he?" "Where are you going? To the races?" Answering these questions in the negative only whets their curiosity, and they try to get, by looking him over, what they fail to elicit by their questions. But he prefers to meet men as they are; not when they are on their good behavior because a minister is present.

Mitchell is fifty-five miles from Prineville; has two stores, two hotels, a saloon, and five families. They had a Sunday school a short time ago but have none now. The men simply laughed at the idea. The place is given up to card playing, dancing, and drunkenness. And yet there are children there growing up in ignorance and vice who might be saved.

Dayville is only a post office; has two families and a saloon.

Mt. Vernon has a store and four families. They will try to organize a Sunday-school soon. I mention all these details to show how small these places are and how very difficult it is to organize and sustain any kind of religious services in communities so isolated. And yet the religious destitution is something appalling. Inquire for religious people and most men will tell you, "They are mighty scarce," or "There is not a Christian in fifty miles," or "I have never heard of a Christian in these parts." And when you are obliged to listen to their vulgarity and profanity you are inclined to think that, so far as their conduct shows, they are about right.

I do not make these statements general, but to be applied only to those portions which I am describing.

Of rivers in Eastern Oregon perhaps the most important is the John Day, rising in four great streams in the mountains, which, after converging, flow northwesterly into the Columbia River. All along this stream and its numerous feeding water courses are numerous valleys where the lands are adapted to diversified farming. Stock raising has been and is yet the great industry outside of mining. And so profitable has this easy life been, that until recently the rich valley lands along the streams and the fertile foot-hills have not tempted a test of their productiveness beyond the barest needs of domestic necessity; the mining industry being the only thing that has stimulated farming by making it profitable.

And now we pass on to Canyon City, John Day City, and Prairie City. Canyon City is the county seat with a population of 300; has five or six stores, several hotels, a few good dwellings, but mostly shanties. Has three church buildings, Methodist Episcopal, Protestant Episcopal, and Catholic. The only minister on the ground is the Methodist Episcopal, the others not having services but about once a year.

John Day City is two miles from Canyon City, with a population of one hundred. Has two large stone stores, two hotels, a flouring mill, and union church edifice. The Methodists have an organization with about fifteen members, and are supplied twice a month by the pastor from Canyon City.

Prairie City, twelve miles up the river, has about 200 people, two stores, two hotels, a few pretty good houses, but many poor ones; is an old mining town and looks run down at the heel. The Methodist pastor from Canyon City preaches here once a month. Here are a thousand people in this cluster of villages and surrounded by a fine farming country already well settled; and as yet there is but one minister on the field. He not only has these three centers of population, but he is the only minister within a radius of fifty or seventy-five miles. Tell my brother minister who is jostled about in the overcrowded pulpits of eastern cities and their suburban towns, that if he will come here he will have elbow room and no one to compete with him for the best pulpit in the land; and, better still, he will have the satisfaction of being where he is greatly needed, and of preaching to people who will rarely, if ever, hear the Gospel except from his lips.

There is immediate and imperative need of a strong, active young minister who has his spurs yet to win. And I would put emphasis on the word "strong," for besides preaching in these four centers he will be called upon, and should hold himself in readiness, to attend funerals and hold services thirty miles away. This is a country of magnificent distances. The doctor at Mitchell keeps three good horses, and thinks nothing of a sixty mile ride.

Verily, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

SPIRITUAL DESTITUTION.

By MRS. C. F. CLAPP, FOREST GROVE, OR.

By those living in the thickly populated and church-sown States of the East, the religious destitution of the far West can, with difficulty, be appreciated. Take a map of Oregon, locate upon it the churches of our denomination, find how far each is from its nearest neighbor, and then consider that what we are doing is, perhaps, but little below the average of the work of other strong denominations. Is it not appalling to see what remains undone?

In early days a large proportion of those who emigrated to this coast came for the express and only purpose of accumulating money. Religion was left wholly out of their calculations. And so we have to-day a large

element wholly indifferent to the claims of the Gospel. To them the Gospel must be carried without invitation.

In other communities the need of the Gospel is felt, and strong are the cries which come from them for one who will break unto them the Bread of Life. "Our children," they say, "are growing up without knowing what a church is." They are surrounded with all that is evil, with little that is good. Perhaps a few incidents will serve to present more vividly the state of affairs on this coast.

A short time since a new church was about to be dedicated. A minister, riding by stage, to be present at the dedication, fell in, at a way station, with a family which attracted his attention. It was evident that the children had some unusual pleasure in anticipation. All the talk was of to-morrow. There was such an air of eager expectation that our minister concluded there must be a circus in some neighboring town to which the children were going. Imagine his surprise when a little ten-year-old boy exclaimed with enthusiasm, "Where'll *we* be about this time to-morrow, papa? We'll be at church, won't we, papa?" Think of it, dear children, who have churches and Sunday schools all about you, with everything planned for your comfort and enjoyment. These children, the eldest twelve years of age, were going, for the first time in their lives, to a Protestant church! The new church was the first and only one within a radius of forty miles.

The next day saw this family from fifteen miles away, present in a body at the dedication, the parents glad, out of their meager means, to allow the children the happy privilege of giving their first offering to their first church.

Outside the more thickly populated Willamette Valley, the missionary, on a tour of inspection, learns many startling facts regarding the religious condition of the people. On driving into a town he is plied with such questions as, "What sort of a horse have you there? What's he worth? Want to sell? Going to the races? No? Where *are* you going?" Finally comes a question which elicits the information that he is a minister, and that he is on the lookout for communities in need of the Gospel. The falling countenances of the questioners testify to their lack of interest in his line of business. No; they have never had a church there, and don't know as they want one.

In one town of twelve or more families with a farming community surrounding, a Christian sermon had never been preached, although the town was eight years old. That is but one of a number of similar instances.

From the letter of a missionary whose appointments, six in number, are scattered over a distance of more than forty miles, we quote the following:

"If ever a people needed the Gospel straight and plain, these people do. Talk about the darkness of heathendom! Why, my friend, you will find it right here in the woods of Oregon, a darkness so blank, so gloomy, that it makes one's heart bleed.

"Many of these people do not know what the Bible is, know nothing whatever of Christ, and scarcely know that there is such a being as God. There are many other things which come under my observation as I come and go among them, but I forbear to burden you with them."

The young minister who labors in these fields finds many discouragements, but adds: "There are no small fields in God's work. All are equally large when it comes to the value of a human soul." In spite of their discouragements, do not such fields possess an attraction for the young disciple who yearns to win souls from the blackness of darkness to eternal light? To be sure he must renounce all present hope of pulpit prominence or comfortable salary. But to the consecrated servant of God, what other reward can compare with that of presenting for the first time the crucified and risen Christ to those who are living and dying without the knowledge of a Savior, without hope for the future.

The work done in earlier days was done by the self-sacrificing efforts of those who faced dangers, endured fatigue and hardship, and overcame the obstacles of rough mountain roads and dense wildernesses. These obstacles are daily growing less formidable; but vast districts still lie untouched, and many open doors invite the faithful to enter.

[THE young minister, from whose letter Mrs. Clapp has quoted, needs a HORSE. From his central station he walks eleven miles to one of his appointments, and it is 1,900 feet above the level of his starting point. With a horse he could reach more points, and make his efforts count for more. He is a devoted worker, doing great good in a benighted region.—ED.]

AFTER MANY DAYS.

BY REV. GEORGE H. LEE.

THE city of Pendleton, Oregon, was laid out in 1868, and is commonly reported to have been "christened in a saloon, and dedicated to the devil in a drunken revelry." The inference from this as to the religious character of most of its earlier inhabitants is easy and correct. They were, with a few exceptions, although men of good business enterprise, men who lost no chance to sneer at Christianity.

Pendleton was started as a trading post upon the west line of the Umatilla Reservation, at the point where this line and the Umatilla River intersect. It is 231 miles east from Portland, 40 from Walla Walla, and 230 from Spokane Falls. The period of the town's largest growth was from 1832 to 1835, when it increased from 700 to 2,500 inhabitants. due

largely to the completion of the Oregon Short Line through the town on its way east. This railroad is to-day a principal factor in the town's welfare.

At the beginning of this period of growth, a prominent man of the town and a godly man, tells me every one was noted who was known to attend church, and sometimes even his trade relations with the men of the town were made unpleasant by their attitude toward his church-going habits. Although the churches have worked a decided change in this respect, the earlier men in the place who are still there, are to-day unchanged in heart, practically and sometimes hotly antagonizing the interests of the churches. One who owns land and houses next to our Congregational church, leases that property for the worst purposes, although immediately adjoining the parsonage lot, also.

When the town had 3,500 inhabitants, there were twenty-two saloons in full blast, and one "vaudeville" theater in it. Gambling was participated in by some of the leading men of the place, and base-ball games of a noisy character were often played on Sunday. The objections of Christian people were laughed at, and prayer-meetings were attended by very few; some of the churches considered prayer-meetings out of the question, owing to lack of attendance.

It was with great heroism that Rev. O. W. Lucas and his bride entered this field to labor in the Lord in 1883, encouraged by Dr. Atkinson. Two churches only were there besides a strong Romish church—the Episcopal and the Methodist. The Baptists had organized and built an edifice, but had been without pastor or preaching nearly a year.

Brother Lucas's account of the beginnings of his work is exceedingly interesting. Obstacle upon obstacle was piled up before him, but by prayer and indomitable effort in the short space of three years two lots had been bought and an excellent church and parsonage erected, and all was free of debt. It is due the memory of the revered Dr. Atkinson to say that often both by his presence and his gifts of money and help in other ways did he stay up the hands of Brother Lucas. And our loved brother, Cobleigh, then General Missionary for Eastern Oregon and Washington, was not one whit behind.

It is no wonder that the strain of his unintermitted labors proved too much for Mr. Lucas. Since his leaving, the church has been served in the ministry from June, 1880, to October, 1890, by the writer; and is now served efficiently by our brother, Rev. T. H. Henderson.

While the writer was in Pendleton, the aggregate attendance at the churches, out of the population of nearly 4,000 was about 300, and of these perhaps not over fifty were men, and although trading was not very general on the Sabbath except at the hotels, restaurants, cigar stands and saloons, yet the men preferred these places either to the churches, or often even to their own homes.

Of course the character of those that have church letters with them, but no deep independent spiritual vitality, is soon affected by the thoroughly indifferent attitude of the men of the town, and deep grief is the portion of the pastor who sees, one after another, many such swept into worldliness in spite of prayers and tears and efforts on his part.

It is not uncommon to hear it said of a town that its whole atmosphere and attitude toward the churches make it a "hard field"; but if this is true of any, it is probably particularly true of Pendleton. Lively, energetic, enterprising as its people have proven to be in some ways, they are in the vast majority who are utterly dead toward Christ. Such a place is one in which, if the people of God outside do not maintain the light of the Gospel, many a soul will be lost in the darkness, the "weak in the faith" will be deserted to be trampled underfoot by those strong in sin, and the children left to become such as they of whom is the kingdom of hell.

The changes for the better that have taken place within five years in Pendleton's religious condition, furnish encouragement to the hope of still better times for the work of Christ in the future.

MISSIONARY MOTHERS.

BY REV. HORACE S. LYMAN.

A MOTHER conserves all that there is in religion and the best of civilization. A man easily becomes a dreamer, or lapses into barbarism, but the mother at her best estate, as missionary mothers are, is absolutely true to the type. Fifty years may pass over her in exile—often meager and hard years of work and worry, but she is still the lady she was at first, the same devoted Christian,—having absorbed nothing gross, having lost nothing fine. She has refused to dispense with the refinements and attractions of home, and has insisted that her children reach the level of opportunity that she and her brothers enjoyed. But let the reader fill out the paragraph. This page is needed wholly to name the mothers of the early home missionary work in Oregon.

Mrs. Myra Eells, the wife of Rev. Cushing Eells, and Mrs. Mary Walker, wife of Rev. Elkanah Walker, were the first women to come, as Congregationalists, across the Rocky Mountains, into the valley of the Columbia, with the purpose of establishing missionary homes. This was in 1836. Mrs. W. H. Gray, wife of the man who wrote the most valuable history of Oregon yet produced, herself assisting largely in its preparation, followed the next year. In 1839 came Mrs. J. S. Griffin, being with her husband an independent missionary of a Congregational church in Connecticut. With her as an associate missionary was Mrs. Hoisington Munger, wife of the man who, under pressure of solitude and morbid impres-

sions, lost his reason and took his own life. Mrs. A. T. Smith, with her husband, on an independent mission; and Mrs. Harvey Clark, wife of the man who first projected our Congregationalist college, which grew into Pacific University, reached Oregon soon after. Nor should be omitted "Mother Brown," who, upon the historic site of Forest Grove, among the monumental oak trees of that beautiful upland, made of her home a school for orphans.

These, it must be noted, were not connected with the American Home Missionary Society. They were Congregationalists, coming with a view to carry the Gospel to the Indians, or else for the purpose of winning Oregon to Protestantism. This was in the days before Oregon was under the Stars and Stripes. It was not, therefore, open to the efforts of the A. H. M. S., but to the A. B. C. F. M., or to independent workers.

Before a territorial government had been established here, the American Home Missionary Society prepared to send families. Mrs. G. H. Atkinson, wife of the first Home Missionary west of the Rocky Mountains, was the head of the company. This was in 1848, and the field occupied was at Oregon City, then metropolis and capital, a lonely trading and milling point at the falls of the Willamette. By special request, Mrs. Atkinson has made some notes of her missionary experiences. I will not therefore, speak for her.

In 1849, Mrs. Mary D. Lyman, wife of Rev. Horace Lyman, arrived at Portland, to make the missionary home in the shade of the giant forest growth of the site of that then primitive village. The way hither was around Cape Horn, in a merchant bark to San Francisco, and by bark again to the Columbia. Just a year, including a long delay in California, was spent in reaching their field. At Portland, and at other places in Oregon, homes, churches, and schools, sprang from the labors of these two, their later work being given mainly to Pacific University.

Mrs. Cornelia Holt Condon, wife of Professor Thomas Condon, whose discoveries in paleontology in the deep valleys of Oregon, are known all over the United States, and even in Europe, reached the Columbia the next year, by way of Cape Horn.

Mrs. Obed Dickinson, with her husband, occupied the field at Salem, living there many most devoted years. As early as 1856 Mrs. Alfred Tenney with her husband, began a home, together with a church, at Eugene, continuing such labor at Astoria, and at The Dalles. Somewhat later came Mrs. S. H. Marsh, spending her time and talents both in making a beautiful home and in giving instruction at Pacific University, of which her husband was president. Mrs. Edward A. Tanner, wife of the present president of Illinois College at Jacksonville, here also exerted her remarkable personal influence in the home, the institution, and in society. Mrs. Elisha Tanner, Mrs. A. S. Hatch, Miss M. A.

Hodgdon, and Mrs. Humphrey, though not in name missionaries, were such in fact.

It is half a sin to give here only the names of these refined, intelligent, and beautiful women. But, as is the case with the most of the good and just, God reserves for them only a divine biographer—the Recording Angel somewhere mentioned. The houses which roofed them during the first months, or perhaps years, were buildings such as were intended for sheds or stables. On missionary salaries, and their husbands being bound to accept no other remuneration, they had little means to pay for household help, in a land where the cost of such help was exorbitant—a cook or kitchen girl often getting more wages than the missionary. Nevertheless, the homes flourished and were such places of beauty and refinement as to attract the governors, the judges, the military and scientific men who, even in those remote times, stopped in Oregon, or passed to and fro through the country. Their influence in stimulating, broadening and encouraging the scattered population of the territory, or young State, cannot be estimated. Mary and Martha, and Joanna—one might think they had been in Oregon should one mark the footsteps of these who have been named; careful and troubled, perhaps, at times, but also sitting at the feet of Jesus, and once more making an abiding place for the Babe and the King.

Particulars of these and many others who came later might be given—of those who were and are no less worthy, and whose work sums up the same; but that would take us far beyond the scope of this article.

WORDS TO OREGON PIONEERS.

The American settlement at the mouth of the Columbia was made in 1811. It was an act of private enterprise on the part of John Jacob Astor, of New York, and the young town was christened after his name, Astoria.

Many of you have seen Oregon grow up from a wilderness inhabited by a feeble band of missionaries and adventurous trappers, without any laws for their protection, to a prosperous State with all the comforts of civilized life.

The new-comer to Oregon could not fail to see that Nature has displayed here her most magnificent powers. Each succeeding year brought with it an increased immigration from the western States. The long and dangerous road you had to travel in coming to this country will never fade away from your memory. At the distance of forty years and more how fresh and vivid now on memory's page the exciting scenes of that long and dangerous road. You saw your friends die and buried on the wayside far out on the desert. Some of your property was stolen by

savage Indians, never to be recovered. You came along that road not like the weary pilgrim, too faint to go and too afraid to stop. You found this country a wilderness, filled with Indians, some of them hostile. You cleared up the forests. I shall not attempt to describe your toils and dangers in the early settlement of this country. They will live in history as long as the Columbia River shall flow into the ocean; as long as the shadows shall move around the convex mountains, and as long as the stars shall gem the heavens.—*Oregon Pioneer Association.*

A VOICE FROM EASTERN OREGON.

THERE are six counties in Eastern Oregon not touched by railroads which will average a population of 2,000, perhaps more, with but one Congregational church and one missionary. We have just put a new church building in a condition for church worship and Sunday-school, at Condon. We have thirty members, and our organization is virtually six months old. I do not know of more than three ministers besides myself, of any denomination, who are offering the Gospel to these 12,000 people. There are children in many families that I have visited, who never before heard a prayer.

Dear brethren, and friends of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, must this state of things continue, must these people live without the Gospel? Our faithful Secretaries send word to our Missionary Superintendent: "No more new work—no money to support it." Our Superintendent says: "We cannot give you what we hoped to; our apportionment is overdrawn now." Pray ye that the Lord may send laborers who are not afraid to enter these needy, hard fields—men whose hearts are all burdened for souls! There are no parsonages here, but there are sinners for whom Christ died.—*Rev. E. D. Howells, Condon, Oregon.*

A SKETCH.

BY REV. CHARLES H. CURTIS, PORTLAND, OREGON.

EARLY in March I visited a section within twenty miles of Portland, yet isolated from the world by almost impassable roads. Here was a scattered community into which had gone a Christian man and wife about four months since. By beginning at once to preach the Gospel and continuing without intermission for about four weeks the work of "living round," talking personally with individuals, and preaching nightly in the dilapidated school-house, God, through them, won the people's confidence and about thirty souls from lives of sin and backsliding Christian experience. Since then, these have been organized into a Sunday-school, Christian Endeavor Society, and Congregational church.

This work was gladly recognized by a Council not long since,

although the sight of the old school-house crowded with men and women in all grades and stages of crudeness and roughness was a surprise to those who had not traveled away from the railroad. It was a typical company—of those who, for the greater part, have lived in isolation for a generation. They are not to be blamed for their independence of modern ideas and improvements and privileges; but they need, and if approached in the spirit of Christ will gladly respond to, the presentation of the Gospel in Sunday-school or church.

After visiting them twice, and after riding twelve miles in the saddle, reorganizing a Sunday-school, and preaching an Easter sermon in a scarcely finished church building, and hurrying down a substantial lunch, it was a rare and never-to-be-forgotten Easter privilege to ride six miles farther in the saddle to preach to a company of 200 or more at the brink of the river, the water of which I afterward dipped to sprinkle seven converted souls, and into which I led and immersed two more. After a hurried "change" and a ride of four miles and supper, the day was completed by joining with this new formed church in the sacred service of communion for the first time, preaching to the again crowded school-house assemblage the glad news of peace in Christ.

Thus, to men and women like ourselves, who have spent the best part of their lives in hard toil and without gospel privileges does the Sunday-school missionary find joy in going; often gathering scores of the children to the study of the Word which is a lamp to their feet and a light to their path, causing it to shine "more and more unto the perfect day."

What does the Sunday-school work mean in Oregon? It means bringing the BIBLE and the blessed tidings of salvation from sin to those who are "heavy laden" with care and toil, those who have least encouragement to resist the sins which so easily beset us, and to the children before they are in the power of Satan.

FROM A LETTER.

YOUR missionary enjoys this work immensely: the general missionary work, the evangelistic work, and best of all, the pastorate, with its opportunities for hand to hand labor. He believes in Oregon and the Pacific Coast, and would rather work here than anywhere else on earth. He believes that the Gospel of the Kingdom is the best message ever given by a king to his children, and that it will one day bring the world to Christ. He looks "up and not down, forward and not backward, out and not in," and tries "to lend a hand." He is writing to you in a railroad eating-house four hundred miles from home, in a town that is fifty miles from a church or minister of any denomination. The "boys" are carrying planks into the waiting room, and in five minutes he will preach to one

hundred and fifty of them on the text, "What must I do to be saved?" God give him wisdom to make it so plain that some dear soul may come back to his Father's house to-night.

LATER.—The service is over. It is ten o'clock, and I rise at three to-morrow morning to start for a place five hundred miles from here, yet still in Oregon. One man came to-night and confessed his wanderings from God, and says he will come back to his Father's house. Bless God for this!

AN APPEAL.

"I would like to have for the school some singing books. Our books are wearing out. I know large schools often have a change, and if we could have two dozen of a kind, we should be wonderfully well provided for."

HERE is an appeal just received from a Sunday-school worker in a neglected portion of southern Oregon. She is a cultured Christian woman who has come out here to have a home for her family. She superintends the Sunday-school, and gives largely of her slender resources for its support. Her Christian sons and daughters help her when at home, but they are scattering along this great coast to earn a livelihood. She has continued on open Sundays through the entire winter, although it had to be in her own house. The weather and roads are such in these back places amidst the mountains that day school is closed and no one goes from home except when obliged to do so. Very few have the consecration and heroism to continue a Sunday-school as has this lovely Christian woman.

To help this struggling Sunday-school not only to these singing books, but also to a good library, may mean the keeping of a good Christian family in a place where their influence will control a coming community for Christ, and save many souls from the terrible indifference and demoralization of this crude, lawless, Christless, western life.

Just think of people living in the woods where, in order to provide food for the hungry family while the home is being prepared, every able-bodied member of the family must seek employment away from home during the time of year when the land cannot be cleared. Think of a family struggling thus with poverty for seven weary, hard years; picture the rough house built without plane or saw,—chimney of mud and wood,—bed, table, chairs—everything wooden—made by the toilers. Sit down with them to the scanty meal cooked on the broken, rusty stove, and with every conceivable kind of crude cooking utensils, and table appointments in full harmony. Look into the single room containing bed, stove, table, and everything in the house. Imagine all the dirt and confusion and general dilapidation of such a life.

Dear friends, by your comfortable firesides, consider. This is what life in a new country means,—and far more than tongue can tell of longing and loneliness, heartache and hardening of heart, and all the unwritable record of misery and desperation inevitable with such conditions of life. This is Oregon in many places where vast undeveloped resources await the coming settlers,—a State second to none in her natural wealth and climatic blessings; but, oh, so wretchedly needy as to uplifting influences! I see such things, and others which cannot be written, again and again. Here, indeed, we need the Sunday-school, the church, and the man of God! Here is growing up a generation of children of our own kith and kin, in isolation and demoralization. And the only remedy is consecrated Eastern money, given freely, as Oregon has not yet received it, to support men to preach the Gospel with power. Oh, that some who are stirred by such conditions might remember Oregon! The money must be given without stint in Christian service, as it is in real estate, and for a few years without expecting large, immediate, visible results. We need money in sufficient quantity to support the best consecrated talent in these places. Here is a people many thousands strong, isolated from the world for a generation, and needing patient, plentiful Christian effort; and God will develop before our wondering eyes, in due time, a land of promise and a people of righteousness. "What shall the answer be?"—*Rev. Chas. H. Curtis, Portland, Oregon.*

IN 1835.

"WE arrived at the falls of the Willamette at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and hired eight Clough-e-wall-hah Indians to carry the canoe by the falls, the distance of half a mile, and proceeded about five miles farther before evening. These falls with the scenery around them have much to charm and interest. The river above spreads out into a deep, wide basin, and runs slowly and smoothly until within a half mile of the falls, when its velocity increases, its width diminishes, eddies are formed in which the water turns back as if loth to make the plunge, but is forced forward by the water in the rear, and when still nearer, it breaks across the channel; then, as if resigned to its fate, smooths its agitated surges, and precipitates down an almost perpendicular of twenty-five feet, presenting a somewhat whitened column. It was a pleasant day, and the rising mist formed in the rays of the sun a beautiful bow; and the grass about the falls, irrigated by the descending mist, was in fresh green. The rocks over which the water falls, and along the adjacent shore, are amygdaloid and basalt. The opportunities here for water power are equal to any that can be found. There cannot be a better situation for a factory town than on the east side of the river, where a dry wide-spread

level extend some distance, and the basaltic shores form natural wharves for shipping. The whole country around, particularly on the east side, is pleasant and fertile. And can the period be far distant when there will be a busy population? I could hardly persuade myself that this river had, for many thousand years, poured its waters constantly down these falls without having facilitated the labor of man. Absorbed in these contemplations, I took out my watch to see if it was not the hour for the ringing of the bells. It was two o'clock, and all was still, except the roar of the falling water. I called to recollection that in the year 1809, I stood by the falls of the Genesee River, and all was silence except the roar of the cataract—but it is not so now, for Rochester stands where I then stood.”—*Dr. Samuel Parker, Nov., 1835.*

“THE WORK IS GREAT.”*—1 Chron. 29: 1.

BY MRS. ABBY M. CARDWELL, PORTLAND, OR.

FAIR LAND! her praise we need not sing,
Nor tell the story of her birth,
Nor from the misty archives bring
The tales of woe, that erstwhile girth
The nation round, when savage foe
Conspired to strike the deadly blow,
And, aided by a treacherous hand
Feigned thus to mock our Mission Band.

“The work is great!” the call is still
Echoing back from sun-lit hill.
Far up the snow-capped mountain's side,
Unchecked by storm or ocean tide,
From rock to rock thrust back again,
The winds take up the loud refrain
“The work is great!” nor idle stand
But rouse, for God and native land!

Our country's gate still swings ajar!
The world responds from near and far.
Or truth, or error, creed or none,
O wondrous land beneath the sun!
Freedom! the truth shall make you free;
Then shall “the stone a mountain” be;
Faith, trembling, seeks for one bright ray;
“The work is great!” for help we pray.

OFFICERS OF THE W. H. M. U.—Mrs. John Sommerville, Portland, President; M^{rs}. W. W. Martin, Albany, Mrs. P. G. Barrett, Hood River, Vice-Presidents; M^{rs}. H. J. Livermore, Oregon City, Secretary; Mrs. T. E. Clapp, Portland, Treasurer.

* Motto of the Oregon W. H. M. U.

Our Young People.

HOW THE CHILDREN HELPED.

By MRS. J. E. WHITE, OREGON CITY, OREGON.

WE have been building a fine new church, to take the place of the old one built in pioneer days of material some of which made the journey here around Cape Horn. Now we have an edifice of modern style, commodious and fair to look upon. As you pass it, if you look closely, you will read on its tablets these inscriptions:

FIRST CONG.
CHURCH.

1844 1889.

IN MEMORIAM

G. H. ATKINSON.

It was fitting that this structure should be a standing monument to the one who had founded its predecessor, and cherished its interests with loving, fatherly care and solicitude.

When we had decided to build, and subscriptions were being canvassed for, our Sunday-school wanted to have a hand in the good work, and really raised nearly two hundred dollars. It is of the ways and means devised for raising this money that I wish to write, so that in other places where new churches are needed the children may find encouragement and timely suggestions from the work accomplished here.

One little boy earned his money by delivering milk to his mother's customers. As I used to see him going past our house daily on his errand, with his little black dog always trotting ahead, I thought with pleasure of the structure he was so humbly helping to build.

Another little boy piled up wood and kept his mother's wood box well filled, only stipulating that the money thus earned should be used in buying bricks.

Two little brothers raised vegetables and sold them, and gave the proceeds to the good cause; and I was pleased to learn of their rigidly reserving the best of everything for their pastor. "Brother Lucas," as they always called him, must have the finest bunch of radishes, the largest heads of lettuce, and, in fact, the best that their garden produced.

Not every church is so fortunate as to have a pastor who is a practical architect, as is ours, and who, while laboring to build us up spiritually, could also plan and work so efficiently on the structure which is

a monument to him as well as to the one to whom it is a memorial. It was fitting that even the children should recognize this, and reserve the first and best for him.

Two little brothers, whose mother had gained a well-earned repute for the excellent quality of her ice-cream, tacked a couple of cards, each Saturday afternoon, at one end of the suspension bridge which spans our beautiful Willamette River; and on these cards, if you were neither blind nor ignorant, you could read this:

"Ice Cream at the other end of the Bridge. Fifteen cents a dish."

And on a hot summer evening wouldn't you like to take a stroll across the bridge, and buy a well-filled dish of luscious ice-cream of two small lads if you knew the money you paid for it would go into a new church?

I imagine some of you are saying, "Didn't the girls do anything?" They were not idle, as I shall soon show you.

One of them gave the proceeds of the sale of a pet sheep and its lambs, a gift to her from her grandfather.

Another girl worked for her grandmother and earned money to give, and a little boy who generously gave ten dollars earned part of the amount by picking berries and selling them, while his sister gave money that she had been saving to buy a watch.

And so I might go on, but think I will tell one more story and close.

In telling it I must go away back to the early days of our little church and tell you of a little, tiny elm tree that our good Dr. Atkinson brought with him from the far East and transplanted after its long journey. It grew and flourished and spread its branches gracefully and protectingly over one corner of our little church.

The hands that planted it were at rest in the silent grave when we learned that it, too, had lived its life, and must come down to make room for the new and larger building. How we regretted that its days of shade and beauty must be shortened! But before the woodman's ax touched it we had a picture taken of the old historic church and wide-spreading elm tree, and three little girls sold these pictures and gave the proceeds, amounting to eleven dollars, as their share in the good work.

Have I not told you enough? Are not some of you already saying, "Why, I believe I could do something like that?"


QUESTIONS FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE.

1. WHEN did the United States secure Oregon?
2. What was then the extent of Oregon? From California to British Columbia, and from the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific Ocean.
3. What is Oregon's famous river? How long is it?
4. How many miles long is Oregon? How wide? How many square miles does it contain? How long is the coast line of this State?

5. What great river separates Oregon from British Columbia?
6. What river separates it from Idaho?
7. What city, not on the coast, is reached by ocean steamers, and through what waters?
8. What are the three ranges of mountains in Oregon?
9. Of what use to Oregon are these great rivers?
10. What beautiful falls are near Oregon City?
11. How should one pronounce that word? Will-am-ette.
12. What are the industries of Oregon?
13. What are its resources?
14. What about the climate?
15. Into what two seasons do the people there divide the year?
16. How early did missionaries go to Oregon?
17. Under what Missionary Society?
18. Who was one of the first sent by the A. H. M. S.?
19. What can you tell about Dr. Atkinson, the first Superintendent there?
20. What is the present population of Oregon?
21. Mention some of the larger cities.
22. Mention places where there are home missionary churches.
23. Find on the map the places mentioned in this magazine.
24. What kind of missionaries are needed in Oregon? Why?
25. Who saved Oregon to the United States?
26. What was he doing there?
27. Who is the present Superintendent of Oregon? Where does he live?
28. What does he think about the future of Oregon?
29. Who were some of the early pioneers in Oregon?
30. Tell some of their experiences.
31. What does Sunday-school work in Oregon mean?
32. What does Mrs. Clapp tell us about the need of the Gospel in Oregon?
33. In his recent tour in Oregon what did the General Missionary find?
34. What godless city is being won to Christianity?
35. Tell the story of the church in Portland.
36. What appeal is made by a Christian lady in South Oregon?
37. Describe the rough house in South Oregon—its furniture, etc.
38. What does a missionary say about six counties in Eastern Oregon?
39. Who were some of the missionary mothers?
40. What hardships did they have to endure in the early days?
41. How did the children help build a church in Oregon?
42. Tell the story of the "old elm."

CHILDREN! ATTENTION!!

PREPARE FOR THE GRAND HOME MISSIONARY RALLY,
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY	
	
<h1>BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.</h1>	
<p>This Certifies that _____ by the payment of _____ is enrolled a soldier in the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army.</p>	
David B. Lee Secy.	Jos. Bourne Clark Wm. Kincaid Secy. Washington Chavate
Mrs. McElapp Nov. Sec. TREASR	

THE ENROLLMENT CARD

FOR THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.

A cut of it we give above. This has been prepared expressly as a cer-

tificate of membership in this great host of our young friends whom we hope to enlist in the work.

We believe it will be very widely called for in our Sunday-schools; and we anticipate the pleasure of numbering many thousands in this army of interested hearts and contributing hands, whose purpose is the extension of "peace on earth, good will to men."

We regret that we cannot show, in the cut here presented, the colors which will beautify the certificate, making it attractive to the eye, and a token of enrollment that will be eagerly desired by the Boys and Girls.

Upon the reverse of the card will be a map of the field of the A. H. M. S.—the field for the conquest of which for Christ, the summons goes out for 300,000 volunteers from our Sunday-schools.

In naming this host "The Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army," we do not wish the older members of the Sunday-schools to feel that they are excluded from enrollment. Let every scholar and teacher and officer become one of this army.

Samples of these cards, and a handsome motto for the desk or the wall of the school-room will soon be sent to each superintendent; and we trust that officers and teachers will cordially respond, and bring this to the attention of the scholars.

CHILDREN, REMEMBER THE DAY—SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

THE daughter of a western Superintendent of this Society, a little lady of fourteen years, who runs the type-writer for her "busy papa," was recently working off the weekly quota of church news for a religious paper at her father's dictation. She reached a paragraph stating that in a certain church the ladies had organized a missionary society.

"Woman's missionary society in capitals, papa?" she asked.

"No," was the response, "they are quite common now."

"I'll tell you, papa," exclaimed the young assistant, "when they organize a MEN's missionary society, we will put that in capitals, won't we?"

WHAT if the Savior should come
To visit your Sunday-school band,
And with love that chased all your fear away
Beside your leader should stand?

And as you heard him how glad you would be
That you have so much to give,
To send news of Jesus all over our land,
That his dear little lambs may live.

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

IN the first five months of the current (sixty-sixth) financial year the receipts at the treasury of the National Society have been as follows :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$13,512 54	\$17,280 43	\$30,822 97
May.....	24,052 85	3,223 02	27,275 87
June.....	15,608 82	6,907 54	22,516 36
July.....	13,919 50	13,852 15	27,771 65
August.....	8,197 04	10,551 90	18,748 94
	<hr/> \$75,320 75	<hr/> \$51,815 04	<hr/> \$127,135 79

The receipts in the corresponding months of 1890 were :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$20,306 48	\$3,723 85	\$24,030 33
May.....	14,969 79	2,066 64	17,036 43
June.....	11,845 88	2,163 11	14,008 99
July.....	25,145 31	17,236 06	42,381 37
August.....	14,235 36	5,642 46	19,877 82
	<hr/> \$86,502 82	<hr/> \$30,832 12	<hr/> \$117,334 94

This statement, compared with the same months of 1890, shows a loss in contributions in the first five months of the fiscal year, of \$11,182.07, and a gain in legacies of \$20,982.92—an advance of only \$9,700 85 in receipts from both sources. Evidently an average advance of nearly \$13,000 a month over the receipts of the last seven months of the previous fiscal year must be made if the earnest recommendations of the Society in the latest annual meeting are to be met, if the obligations at the Bank are to be canceled, and if the Society's work is to be kept up at its normal rate of progress. As every friend and helper of this cause knows well, not to advance is to retreat. A work like this has divine life in it, and grows by a law of its own nature. No missionary could put his heart into his labor, he ought not to undertake its hardships and self-denials, merely to see his field spiritually "hold its own." Every soul he brings to Christ is a spiritual magnet, attracting other souls to Him, and calling for added help in the way of spiritual leadership. Not to hear this ever-increasing

call for fresh workers, and not to do our very utmost to meet it, is to be unfaithful to the Master who has put us into his vineyard. But how can we advance when, besides our heavy dues at the Bank, missionaries' reports of labor are in hand calling for \$16,000 that should be paid at once?

What can we do, then, but to sound again in the ears of God's people this stirring call to all who love Him, that they come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty. No mightier foes ever set themselves to hinder the progress of His Kingdom than are now arrayed against it in this land—land of the world's future hope and promise, land consecrated to Christ at its birth, by the prayers and sacrifices of the noblest souls that ever laid the foundations of empire. Shall not the descendants of the Fathers of New England, at a time so critical as this, prove themselves worthy of their origin? Worthy of their calling as sons and daughters of the Pilgrims, sons and daughters of the Pilgrims' God? Faithfulness to the millions thronging these young States from all nations of the earth is truest loyalty to Him. "As ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me." "As ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me."

A CRY FROM THE FIELD!

WHAT SHALL WE DO? HOW SHALL WE ANSWER IT?

THE Offices of the Society are, as it were, the center of a great telephonic system. The signal bell rings. We answer the call and listen. What is the message, and where is it from?

It comes from Oregon. Superintendent Clapp is burdened with the pressure of the needs of his State—the maintenance of the work in hand—without any reference to new work.

Brethren of the churches, listen with us to this cry from the field:

"I have just been taking that long look ahead toward which my attention was directed, and am greatly perplexed at the outlook.

"The growth of the fields last year made it imperative that we put in more workers, and I can already see that much of our important work will have to be abandoned before the close of the year, unless the Society can make us a little additional grant.

"Every effort will be made to increase our contributions in the State; and yet I can see plainly enough what the only outcome must be.

"If there is no probability that an additional grant will be made, I know of only one thing to do, and that is—TO BEGIN THE ABANDONMENT AT ONCE."

SHALL WE AT THIS OFFICE SO DIRECT?

But hear the specifications!

Says Superintendent Clapp: "We have been holding on to H——.

The S. S. Supt. for this State and myself taking turns to supply them once a month or such a matter, till we could send them a man.

"But we must abandon this field and leave it where it was, without a minister within fifty miles; yet with a good Sunday-school of eighty or a hundred, and not a church organization of any sort in town.

"C—— will also have to be abandoned. Here we have just completed a new church, and have a membership of twenty-five or thirty, and an excellent Sunday-school.

"Tais, too, is the only church within twenty-five, and, practically, within forty-five miles, and is the county seat.

"W——, also, just taken up last year, and where a new church will be dedicated a week from next Sunday. The only organization in that village.

"L——, we have practically abandoned already; and I see no way but to give up P——, and so leave all Eastern Oregon destitute again.

"Will not the Lord 'make windows in heaven' in some way so that we can hold what we have gained?"

Friends! what shall we do? How shall we answer this call?

It is for the churches to direct us through your offerings put into our Treasury.

Let us hear from you!

ON THE WING.—"I am here," says the Superintendent, from a far-away corner in Oregon—"and can sniff the battle soon to begin. We need only \$150 more to raise the debt, but the country is desperately poor. I will add a line after the engagement."

LATER.—"We 'mopped the earth' with the church debt, and came off in good fighting trim. Preached a sermon, baptized a baby, and had a grand rally with the children. Baptized two more babies, raised more money, preached another sermon, and am ready for the revival service this evening. It is hot, and everything is dusty. People come five, seven, twelve and twenty miles to the services. Children a dozen years old have never been inside a church before. It is a stimulating audience—hungry for the Gospel.

[OUR friends will read with pained interest the following account from the "Pacific" of the sudden death of one who contributed so much of interest to the pages of this number of the magazine.—ED.]

A SAD accident recently occurred at Salem, Oregon. Mrs. I. N. Gilbert, the oldest living member of the Congregational church at that place, was found dead at the foot of the stairs leading to her chamber. Her neck was broken, and it is the belief of friends that she arose in the night to minister to her little grand

child, who was ill, and the only other occupant of the house at the time, and had missed her footing and fallen headlong to the foot of the stairs. Mrs. Gilbert's maiden name was Marietta Stanton, and she was born January 29, 1835, in La Porte, Indiana. She crossed the plains in 1847 with her father's family, all of whom at once made their home with Mr. I. N. Gilbert, whom she subsequently married, who lived a mile and a half northwest of Salem. In 1851, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert rode on horseback through the wilderness, over forty miles, to Oregon City to unite with the Congregational church of that place, of which Dr. Atkinson was then pastor. In 1852, when the Salem church was organized, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert were two of the four who constituted the membership. Mr. Gilbert, after many years of excellent and useful Christian service, died in 1879, leaving his devoted wife to carry on the work of both until she should receive the summons to go home. And right royally did she perform her part. She was ever in the front rank of exalted and most devout Christian service. During the lifetime of Mr. Gilbert, and since, as many old Oregonians can testify, the Gilbert home was the resting-place of Christian ministers, and others passing that way, who were always welcome to its hospitality. Her own and her husband's name are indissolubly connected with the history of the Salem church—yes, even more, with the entire Oregon Association, as scarcely ever a meeting was held but was attended by one or both. She was a woman of much more than ordinary intelligence, and frequently prepared papers to be read before the different local and State associations. She will be greatly missed in her church, as, at all times, she was a most earnest and untiring Christian worker.

MRS. EVA EMERY DYE, who contributes a poem to this number of *The Home Missionary*, received the first prize in a contest which was open to the poets of the entire Pacific Coast, and there were many competitors. Mrs. Dye's poem was entitled "In the Grand Canyon," and is said to possess superior literary merit.

WE are indebted to George H. Himes, of the Himes Printing Co., and a member of the Oregon Pioneer Association, for the illustrations which add interest to the Oregon number of *The Home Missionary*.

We would also render grateful acknowledgment to Mrs. Abby Walker Staver, of Oregon, who has rendered invaluable assistance in securing material for this number.

[The illustrations referred to in the above note will appear in a later issue, the plates arriving too late for this number.]

AN Iowa paper says: "Our field is about as 'new' as if it were in the heart of the Old World. We have to literally 'create all things new'; but

having got along so far, we will not back out, although had our 'foresight' been measured by our 'aftersight' we should have said, 'It is impossible to do anything here.' So the Lord leads us forth."

[The following resolutions are presented by the Woodville Auxiliary of the New York W. H. M. U.—a society which has contributed to the New York Union since the date of its organization.—ED.]

At a regular meeting of the W. H. M. U., the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted :

Whereas, It has pleased an all-wise Providence to call the President of our Society, Mrs. C. T. Patchell (wife of our pastor), from her earthly labors to her heavenly home, and it is fitting that we express our sincere sympathy to her bereaved family and friends in this great affliction,

Resolved, That while profound sorrow fills our every heart, yet we submit to this dispensation of our Heavenly Father, knowing "That all things work together for good to them that love God."

Resolved, That as an organization we have lost an earnest worker, and one having the interests of our Society at heart.

Resolve, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her friends; also placed upon our Society record, and presented for publication in *The Home Missionary*.—Aug. 6, 1891.

Appointments in August, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Bauman, Adolph H., Willamina, Or.
 Bosworth, William A., Guthrie, Oklahoma Ter.
 Bridges, A. E., Cahoon, La.
 Brookshire, R. R., Marion, N. C.
 Burroughs, Walter A., Letcher, Firesteel, Bethel, and Lisbon, So. Dak.
 Carter, Benjamin H., Campton, Fla.
 Collins, Samuel S., Henderson and Omega, Ala.
 Cressman, Edmund, Doniphan, West Hamilton and North Hastings, Neb.
 Cronmiller, Bruce W., Coytesville, N. J.
 Ferrier, W. W., Seattle, Wash.
 Fuller, Almon T., Norwalk and Lake Kerr, Fla.
 Gunn, Elberry, Liberty, Ala.
 Hannaford, William H., Pierport and Pleasanton, Mich.
 Harbridge, Edward H., Mattison and Batavia, Mich.
 Harris, William, Coulee City and Chelan, Wash.
 Hooker, George E., Medical Lake and Cheney, Wash.
 Leyda, George M., Lebanon and Logan, So. Dak.
 McClellan, F. C., Turlock, Cal.
 Merrill, William C., Chula Vista, Cal.
 Miller, Louis, Jake's Bayou, Fla.
 Morach, Jacob, Crete, Neb.
 Plass, Norman, Lincoln, Neb.
 Richards, Fred B., West Superior and East Superior, Wis.
 Smith, Pliny S., Pelican Rapids, Minn.
 Smith, Zwingle H., Douglas, Wyo.
 Waite, Henry R., Ph. D., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Wells, William A., Wells Chapel, Ala.

Re-commissioned:

Ainslie, James S., Ft. Wayne, Ind.
 Appleton, Harry, Pottsville and Millett, Mich.
 Bailey, Mrs. Lydia M., Ogden, Slatersville, Lynne and vicinity, Utah.
 Bastel, F. T., Iowa City, Iowa.

Bates, George L., Ft. Pierre, So. Dak.
 Braithwaite, Thomas S., East Rockaway, N. Y.
 Brown, James B., Hyannis, Neb.
 Bunnell, John J., Mannfield, Fla.
 Burgess, Edmund J., Wolverine, Mich.
 Butler, William, Port Gamble, Wash.
 Clark, Orville C., Missoula, Mon.
 Cole, H. Hammond, San Francisco, Cal.
 Combs, Clement, Kahoka, Honey Creek, and Anson, Mo.
 Crater, George W., Badger and Spring Lake, So. Dak.
 Crawford, Otis D., Monrovia, Cal.
 Doolittle, John B., Farnam, Neb.
 Edwards, Stephen, Mojave, Cal.
 Egerland, Franz, Sioux City, Iowa.
 Forbes, Charles A., Leona, Kan.
 Forbes, Frank S., Provo, Utah.
 Foster, Jesse D., Lorin, Cal.
 Fowler, William C., Livingstone, Mon.
 Fray, John Ellis, Richmond Hill, N. Y.
 Goodsell, Dennis, Murphy's, Angel's, Douglass Flat, and Sheep Ranch, Cal.
 Griffith, R. Vaughn, Ipswich and Rosette Park, So. Dak.
 Griffith, William, Oberon, No. Dak.
 Hadden, Jacob W., Riverton, Neb.
 Hall, George C., Astoria, Or.
 Halliday, Samuel B., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Henry, Alexander J., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Hitchcock, Howard, Ulysses, Neb.
 Hodel, Abraham, Culbertson, Neb.
 Hodoush, Miss Anna, Braddock, Pa.
 Howell, James, Alundra, Wash.
 Hubbard, William B., Chamberlain, So. Dak.
 Hulet, James A., Lyle, Minn.
 Hull, Ellsworth L., Ford, Kan.
 Hurlbut, Henry C., Grand Junction and Berlamont, Mich.
 Ives, Joseph B., Paradise, Cal.
 Jones, William L., Barnesville, Powdersville, and Meansville, Ga.
 Kaufman, William H., Milbank, So. Dak.

Keene, Aaron H., New England City, No. Dak.	Trueblood, Jasper, Frankfort and Turton, So. Dak.
Kerns, Herbert A., Big Rapids, Mich.	Tutthill, Edward B., San Miguel, Cal.
Lawrence, Harry A., Centerville and Wacanda, So. Dak.	Tuttle, Charles F., St. Ignace, Mich.
Lillie, Isaac B., Vestaburg and Crystal, Mich.	Tyner, Elijah S., Crest View and Bagdad, Fla.
Lincoln, W. S., Cleveland, Ohio.	Wabbe, Levi F., Hersey, Mich.
Lyon, J. Monroe, Merrill and Wheeler, Mich.	Walker, Cornelius E., Burwell, Neb.
Merrill, Henry A., Kansas City, Mo.	Warner, William J., Princeton, Minn.
Metcalf, Arthur, New Brighton, Minn.	Warren, Willis A., Belgrade, Minn.
Oakey, James, Pierre, So. Dak.	Washington, Alonzo G., Fertile, Mentor, and Maple Bay, Minn.
Paulson, Laurits P., Tacoma, Wash.	Wells, Archibald C., Clanton, Verbena, So. Calera, Mountain Spring, and Union Point, Ala.
Pinch, Pearse, Newton, Kan.	Wiggins, Aaron W., New Cambria, Mo.
Plack, George W., Rockaway Beach, N. Y.	Willis, J. Vincent, Custer, So. Dak.
Renshaw, James B., Pleasant Prairie and Trent, Wash.	Wilson, Henry, Canton, So. Dak.
Rexford, George W., Plankinton, So. Dak.	Witham, Levi A., Nunica and Fruitport, Mich.
Roberts, Joseph W., McAllister, Ind. Ter.	Wrbitzky, Edmund, St. Louis, Mo.
Roberts, Thomas S., Oneida, Kan.	Youker, Wilto R., Onekama, Mich.
Schofield, Levi M., Napa, Cal.	Young, W. E., Forest Grove and Paradise Valley, Wash.
Sims, Thomas, Tacoma, Wash.	Zumstein, Hans, Michigan City, Ind.
Sipek, Joseph, St. Paul, Minn.	
Smith, Howard N., Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Thurston, Thomas W., Dawson and Tappan, No. Dak.	

Receipts in August, 1891.

MAINE—\$34.00

Bangor, First, by W. P. Hubbard..... \$34 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$149.93

Received by Hon. L. D. Stevens,
Treas. N. H. H. M. Soc.,
Pelham..... 45 00
F. C. I. and H. M. Union, Miss A. A.
McFarland, Treas.:
Keene, First Ch., Cent a Day Band.. 20 34
Henniker, Young People's Mission Circle,
by Rev. F. L. Allen..... 25 00
Penacook, by C. M. Rolfe..... 9 59
Pittsfield, Miss Hannah Edgerly, deceased,
by S. E. Emerson..... 50 00

VERMONT—\$1,693.44; of which Legacy \$,576.94

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W.
P. Fairbanks, Treas. for Miss
Reitinger:
Manchester..... \$5 00
St. Johnsbury, So. Ch., Little
Helpers..... 15 00
Westminster West..... 10 00

Brattleboro, Legacy of William P.
Cune, by George S. Dowley, Ex..... 1,576 94
Burlington, College St. Cong. Ch., by G.
G. Benedict..... 66 54
Y. P. S. C. E. First, by G. E. Brownell..... 20 00

MASSACHUSETTS—\$2,337.00; of which Legacies, \$150.00.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B.
Palmer, Treas..... 600 00
By request of Donors..... 178 00
Boston, Legacy of Mrs. M. G. Burrows,
by F. W. Coburn..... 50 00
Cummington, Mrs. H. Porter..... 50 00
Fitchburg, Rev. and Mrs. John Wood,
Georgetown, First Cong. S. S., by C.
M. Spifford, special..... 10 00
Hadley, Legacy of Mrs. Lois Wheeler,
by F. P. Wheeler, Ex..... 50 00
Holbrook, Mrs. H. A. Smith, for Salary
Fund..... 4 40
Mrs. David Whitcomb, for Salary
Fund..... 1 00
Mrs. R. T. Pratt, for Salary Fund.... 1 00
Lowell, R. S..... 5 00
Northampton, Legacy of Mrs. Frances
P. Clark, by J. Whittlesey, Ex..... 50 00

Quincy, A Friend of missions, of which
\$10, a Thank-offering..... \$12 00
Sheffield, Ch. \$1.75; A. T. Wakefield, \$2,
special, by A. T. Wakefield..... 14 75
South Egremont, by A. M. Smith..... 19 00
So. Framingham, Grace Ch., by R. L.
Day..... 250 00
Springfield, A Friend..... 1,900 00
Stockbridge, A Lady Friend..... 5 00
Wakefield, by W. P. Preston..... 44 95

RHODE ISLAND—\$324.00.

Barrington, L. B. Kendall..... 300 00
Newport, Family mite boxes, by A. O.
Pritchard, for Salary Fund..... 4 00
A Friend..... 15 00
Saylesville, Miss M. T. Harris..... 5 00

CONNECTICUT—\$3,841.49; of which Legacies, \$3,225.00.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas.,
by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec..... 38 24
Bethel, Ladies' Mite boxes, by Miss H.
H. Seelye..... 16 62
Columbia, by S. F. West..... 28 00
East Haddam, A Friend..... 10 00
East Hampton, First, by P. Bevin..... 35 18
Higganum, D. P. Smith..... 1 00
Irrington, Ladies H. M. Soc., by Mrs.
E. A. Northrop..... 50 00
Madison, On account of Legacy of
George M. Dowd, by J. Lee Scranton,
Adm..... 225 00
Milford, Mary A. Buckingham, to const.
herself a L. M..... 50 00
Millington, by Rev. G. L. Edwards..... 1 50
New Britain, On account of Legacy of
C. B. Erwin, by H. E. Russell, Ex.... 7,500 00
New Haven, Rev. B. Hart, D.D..... 30 00
Miss E. Woodsey..... 5 00
Legacy of Howard R. Baldwin, by F.
A. Baldwin, Ex..... 500 00
Northford, by Edward Smith..... 30 00
North Haven, Elihu Dickerman, by A.
D. Barnes..... 2 00
North Woodstock, of which \$5, for the
Yale Band, by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.
Miss. Soc. Conn..... 27 11
Plainville, by C. B. Potter..... 109 09
Stonington, Second, by I. E. Smith.... 76 75
Thomaston, W. Woodruff..... 100 00
Waterbury, Mrs. M. E. Lockwood..... 1 00
Waugrean, Mrs. E. J. Wilson, special.. 5 09

NEW YORK—\$139.51.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, Treas., Buffalo, First Ch. H. M. Soc., special.....	\$15 00
Brooklyn, A Friend.....	1 00
Canandaigua, First Cong. S. S., by H. S. Hubbell, for Bohemian work.....	34 93
New York City, O. W. Coe, \$2; W. C. C., \$10.....	12 00
North Walton, Cong. S. S., by A. L. White.....	10 10
Owego, by W. H. Hutchinson.....	6 25
Springville, Miss S. P. Joslin, for Salary Fund.....	10 00
Syracuse, Rev. E. Curtis.....	15 00
Tompkins Co., A Friend.....	2 00
West Brook, by W. L. McClenon.....	3 23
Mrs. T. S. Hoyt.....	5 00
Warsaw, A Friend.....	25 00

PENNSYLVANIA—\$20.70.

Lansford, Welsh Ch., by C. C. Edwards.....	10 00
Taylorville, by Rev. T. D. Evans.....	4 00
Wilkes Barre, Puritan Ch., by J. Bailey.....	6 70

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$78.00.

Washington, L. H. M. Soc. of the First, \$75; for Salary Fund, Membership fees, \$2; for needy Indians, \$1, by Miss L. Patterson.....	78 00
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GEORGIA—\$67.65.

Woman's H. M. Union, Miss V. Holmes, Treas.:	
Atlanta, Ch. of the Redeemer.....	\$20 11
Fredonia, Barnesville.....	9 54
	29 65
Fredonia, by Rev. F. J. Estes.....	8 00
Pleasant Hill and Walkers Chapel, by Rev. G. Horn.....	5 00
Thomasville, Mrs. H. G. Hackett.....	25 00

ALABAMA—\$8.85.

Troy, by Rev. W. R. East.....	8 85
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ARKANSAS—\$20.10.

Little Rock, by Rev. R. M. Higgins....	20 10
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FLORIDA—\$41.69.

Received by F. W. Lyman, Treas.:	
Orange City, W. H. M. U. Aux. \$6 75	
Winter Park, W. H. M. U. Aux., special.....	7 50
	14 25
Bonifay, \$5.90; S. S. \$4.10, by Rev. P. G. Woodruff.....	10 00
Mannfield, by Rev. J. J. Bunnell.....	3 00
Pomona, by Rev. M. C. Welch.....	4 17
St. Petersburg, by Rev. G. W. Hardaway.....	3 52
Winter Park, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. F. Barrows.....	6 75

TEXAS—\$5.00.

Greenock, S. B. Hoisington.....	5 00
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OKLAHOMA—\$5.00.

Guthrie, Plymouth S. S., by Rev. J. H. Parker.....	5 00
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OHIO—\$280.46.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D., in July and Aug.:	
Aurora, S. S.....	\$3 40
Cleveland, Madison Avenue....	9 22
Cuyahoga Falls, S. S., by Charles Clark.....	15 57
Greenwich, Rev. G. H. De Kay, special.....	1 00

Hampden, by Rev. T. D. Phillips.....	\$7 42
Hudson, by Miss E. E. Metcalf.....	10 00
Lenox, by Rev. F. W. Luk.....	4 00
South Newbury, by J. B. Water-ton.....	27 00
	\$77 92

Received by S. P. Churchill, Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:

Cleveland, Madison Avenue Ch.	5 90
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:

Cleveland, Euclid Avenue Ch.	15 00
Conneaut, "Sandwich Circle".	5 00
Fredericksburg.....	5 00
Homer.....	17 00
Lexington.....	5 00
Mrs. H. F. De Lumater.....	5 00
Lodi.....	5 00
Newark, Plymouth Ch. Mayflower Miss. Band.....	10 00
	72 90
	\$67 00

Birmingham, by Mrs. C. J. Saunders...	3 36
Coolville and Ireland, by Rev. J. R. Conner.....	12 85
Marietta, by A. D. Follett.....	107 35
Youngstown, by Rev. N. M. Nilson....	6 09

INDIANA—\$5.25.

Hosmer and Little, by Rev. T. Smith..	1 50
Jamestown, by Rev. A. A. Luce.....	3 75

MISSOURI—\$48.10.

Received by Rev. G. Marsh:

Billings.....	\$2 25
Eldon.....	10 60
Honey Creek.....	5 00
Nicholas Junction.....	6 50
Republic.....	2 50
Verdella.....	6 25
George Marsh.....	2 50
Mrs. George Marsh.....	2 50
	38 10

Cole Camp, by Rev. J. Brereton.....	7 50
St. Louis, by Rev. S. Arquist.....	2 50

MICHIGAN—\$662.80.

Received by Rev. L. Warren, D.D., in July and August:

Batavia, add'l.....	\$1 00
Berryville.....	1 08
Clinton.....	13 00
Clio.....	8 00
East Paris.....	4 00
Frankfort.....	19 01
Imlay City.....	6 30
Manistee.....	9 19
Otsego, Hon. W. C. Edsell.....	5 00
Pentwater, Ladies' Soc.....	3 25
Port Huron.....	57 00
Rockwood, H. H. Chapman.....	10 00
South Haven.....	2 69
Utica.....	5 75
Vanderbilt.....	4 73
West Adrian.....	20 28
Wheatland, S. S.....	5 75
Whittaker.....	7 00
	183

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F.

Grabill, Treas., rec'd in July:	
Ann Arbor, Thank-offering....	\$20 35
Charlotte, L. B. S.....	25 00
Chelsea.....	5 00
Constantine, toward L. Mp. of Mrs. B. Smits.....	7 67
Detroit, Woodward Ave., W. H. M. U., for Salary Fund.....	56 00
Dexter.....	10 00
Dorr.....	10 00
East Saginaw.....	40 04
Flint.....	18 76

Greenville.....	\$11 46
Kalkaska.....	5 00
Laingsburg.....	8 88
Mancelona.....	9 00
Romeo.....	52 25
Union City.....	4 82

\$278 23

Young People's North Star Mis-

sion;	
Ann Arbor, S. S.....	\$6 00
Bedford, S. S., on Children's	
Day.....	3 65
Cooper, S. S.....	6 45
Flint, W. H. M. S.....	65
Highland, W. H. M. S., \$1.75:	
Children's Miss. Band, \$1.25	3 00
Kalamazoo, Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 50
Vermontville, S. S., Children's	
Day.....	2 10
Webster, S. S., Mission Band	4 94

\$315 32

\$37 09

Alpine and Walker, by Rev. J. Sailor..	2 00
Ashley and East Fulton, by Rev. E. L.	
Anderson.....	5 00
Berlamont, \$1; Grand Junction, \$2, by	
Rev. H. C. Hurlbut.....	3 00
Briley and Vienna, by Rev. R. Houston	7 00
Columbus, by Rev. W. I. Hunt.....	5 27
East Paris and Fisher Station, by Rev.	
C. J. De Cow.....	7 25
Hancock, by Rev. G. Y. Washburn....	10 00
Kinderhook and East Gilead, by Rev.	
W. Newton.....	2 42
Linden, by Rev. C. W. Greene.....	7 52
Muskegon, First, Cong. S. S., Children's	
Day coll., by W. A. Magoon.....	5 39
Onekama, by Rev. W. R. Youker.....	2 55
Pierport and Pleasanton, by Rev. W.	
H. Haunaford.....	10 00
Potterville and Millett, by Rev. H. Ap-	
pleton.....	6 14
Three Oaks, to const. Rev. G. B. Wal-	
dron a L. M., by Rev. G. B. Waldron	73 38
Union City, by Rev. J. R. Knodell.....	5 18
Vestaburg and Crystal, by Rev. I. B.	
Lillie.....	3 95
Wolverine, by Rev. E. J. Burgess....	5 00

[ERRATUM: \$8.65, credited to Kinderhook in September number, should have been credited to East Gilead.

WISCONSIN—\$815.00; of which Legacy,

\$690.00.

Appleton, Legacy of Jared Lanphear,	
by Joseph Rork, Adm.....	600 00
Eau Claire, by Rev. G. W. Nelson.....	10 00
Oak Center, Mrs. S. B. Howard.....	5 00
Rosendale, Mrs. H. N. Clark, of which	
\$100, to const. Daniel Clark and H. N.	
Clark L. Ms.....	200 00

IOWA—\$13.20.

Edgewood, N. G. Platt.....	8 80
Tipton, Mrs. G. D. Gurley.....	4 40

MINNESOTA—\$521.85.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley:

Ada, S. S.....	\$1 14
Aroola.....	1 50
Faribault.....	71 28
Glenwood, S. S.....	3 46
Hutchison.....	15 13
Lake City.....	38 90
Marine.....	1 00
Medford.....	17 00
Minneapolis, Lyndale.....	10 00
C. F. Reed.....	1 50
Thomas Hale Williams.....	5 00
City Missions.....	2 19
Robbinsdale, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 73
Ch.....	12 70

Staples..... \$2 55

\$186 08

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M.

W. Skinner, Treas.:

Benson, "Faithful Workers" \$3 00

Claremont, S. S.....	1 15
Clearwater.....	4 99
Duluth, Pilgrim.....	21 70
Dawson.....	2 00
Faribault, Teachers of D. and	
D. Inst.....	2 55
Mrs. F. Stevens.....	2 50
Freedom.....	4 50
Hamilton.....	8 15
Madison, S. S.....	42
Marshall.....	5 57
S. S.....	5 52
Mazeppa.....	8 18
Minneapolis, Plymouth.....	40 20
Lyndale.....	9 00
S. S.....	2 76
First.....	20 00
Y. L.....	18 35
Morristown.....	3 91
New Um.....	4 00
Ortonville.....	2 00
Osakis.....	2 00
St. Paul, Plymouth.....	35 00
Stillwater.....	6 50
Waseca, S. S.....	10 00
West Dora.....	3 00
Winona, Mrs. A. E. Keys.....	5 00
Zumbrota.....	13 50

\$245 35

\$431 43

Brainerd, by Rev. G. A. Cable.....	10 00
Fish Lake and Maple Ridge, by Rev. J.	
P. Rodberg.....	2 50
Glenwood, by Rev. M. W. Chunn.....	5 16
Lake City and Hastings, by Rev. J.	
Rood.....	1 00
Minneapolis, Plymouth Ch., Miss Lucy	
D. Lyman, to const. herself a L. M....	50 00
C. M. Bassett.....	5 00
New Brighton, by Rev. A. Metcalf.....	3 11
North Branch and Sunrise, by Rev. A.	
A. Davis.....	1 00
St. Cloud, First, by W. T. Clark.....	9 70
Spencer Brook, by Rev. D. Magnus....	2 95

KANSAS—\$122.24.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. G.

Dougherty, Treas., in full, to

const. Mrs. C. H. Cushing, Mrs.

Emily Barnard, and Mrs. M. D.

Haines L. Ms..... \$52 00

Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. L. R.	
Vernon.....	41 88
Arkansas City, by Rev. D. D. De Long	10 00
Downs, by Rev. J. H. Embree.....	5 00
Hill City, Leonora, and Edmond, by	
Rev. G. J. Buck.....	8 40
Kansas City, by Rev. H. D. Herr.....	3 66
White City, by Rev. J. Wilde.....	1 30

NEBRASKA—\$169.54.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:

Greenwood.....	\$2 91
Kearney.....	12 00
Waverly.....	8 15

\$23 06

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.

D. B. Perry, Treas.:

Beatrice.....	\$20 00
Chadron.....	7 00
Columbus.....	3 50
Exeter.....	6 00
Lincoln, Plymouth Juvenile,	
for Children's Missionary.....	5 00

Pilgrim, S.S., for Children's	
Missionary.....	\$2 85
Norfolk.....	17 00
S. S., for Children's Miss.....	9 07
Omaha, First.....	20 00
Hillsdale.....	2 50
Plymouth.....	6 75
York.....	4 50

\$104 17 \$127 23

Burwell, by Rev. C. E. Walker.....	13 50
Farnam, S. S., by Rev. J. B. Doolittle.....	5 40
Hemingford, by Rev. W. Wiedenhoft.....	1 25
Hyannis, by Rev. J. B. Brown.....	3 86
Leigh, by Rev. R. M. Travers.....	11 65
Newcastle, by Rev. J. Roberts.....	7 15

NORTH DAKOTA—\$18.42.

Fargo, Rev. G. S. Bascom.....	10 00
Michigan City, by Rev. D. Woolner.....	8 42

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$59.41.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Treas.:	
Clark.....	\$3 00
Deadwood.....	2 00
Mitchell, Mission Band.....	3 10
Pierre.....	3 60
Sioux Falls.....	8 13
Spearfish, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 14
Watertown.....	3 00
Yankton.....	3 95

Eden, Ladies' M. Soc., by Rev. R. Norton.....	28 02
Hermosa, by Rev. B. F. Pearson.....	5 00
Ipswich, by Rev. W. G. Dickinson.....	2 00
S. S., by A. R. Briggs.....	5 00
Lecher, Firesteel, Bethel, and Lisbon, by Rev. W. A. Burroughs.....	3 54
Sioux Falls, by Rev. C. W. Wurschmidt.....	3 15
Valley Springs, Ben Clare and Martin, by Rev. W. H. Watson.....	2 25
	10 46

COLORADO—\$58.56.

Alamosa, by Rev. A. Alf.....	6 35
Colorado.....	15 00
Denver, Olivet Ch., by Rev. J. F. Smith.....	10 00
Highland Lake, Ch. \$3.11; Y. P. S. C. E. \$1.75, by W. L. Upton.....	4 86
Red Mountain District, by Rev. H. Sanderson.....	22 35

MONTANA—\$24.03.

Butte, Plymouth Ch., \$ 6.10; Fahselt, \$2.93, by Rev. W. S. Bell.....	19 03
Castle, by Rev. J. Mulholland.....	5 00

CALIFORNIA—\$30.60.

Escondido, by Rev. C. B. Carlisle.....	4 60
Niles, by Rev. F. H. Marr.....	10 00
Pescadero and Fairview, by Rev. D. F. Taylor.....	3 50
Sunol, by Rev. J. H. Strong.....	2 40
Vernondale, Rev. G. A. Rawson.....	10 60

OREGON—\$102.20.

Woman's H. M. Union, by Rev. C. F. Clapp.....	6 00
Albina, by Rev. J. L. Hershner.....	3 85
Beaver Creek and Oswego, by Rev. R. M. Jones.....	5 00
Forest Grove, by Rev. C. F. Clapp.....	2 00
Hillsboro, by Rev. B. F. Moody.....	13 35

WASHINGTON—\$258.85.

Anacortes, W. J. Hagadorn, by Rev. H. J. Taylor.....	204 60
Roy and Hillhurst, by Rev. R. Brown..	25 00
Sultan City, by Rev. A. W. Bower.....	2 35

Tacoma, First, bal. of coll., by C. Hubbell.....	\$55 00
Trent, by Rev. J. B. Renshaw.....	1 90
HOME MISSIONARY.....	125 05
	\$17,091 82

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Norwalk, Ct., Miss Elizabeth W. Brown, box books.....	
Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Mrs. E. B. Ripley, four boxes.....	100

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from June 20 to July 20, 1891. T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Brandon.....	\$6 85
Brattleboro.....	174 05
Clarendon, East.....	10 84
Corinth, East.....	20 00
Dorset.....	25 00
Jamaica.....	6 00
Norwich, N. R. N.....	10 00
Orange.....	12 00
Peacham, Mrs. A. E. Moulton.....	5 00
Pittsford.....	40 00
Quechee.....	24 02
Rochester.....	10 35
Sherburne.....	1 80
Waterville.....	3 00
Franklin and Grand Isle Conference.....	4 10
Dividends, etc.....	36 00
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	14 85
Woman's H. M. U., Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Cornwall, W. H. M. S.....	\$18 30
Manchester, W. H. M. S.....	15 00
Middlebury, Ladies.....	43 58
	76 88
	\$480 74

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from July 20 to August 20, 1891. T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Brookfield East, Ladies' Society.....	\$5 00
Chelsea.....	18 31
Chenoo, Ill., Miss Hattie A. Hurd.....	2 00
Craftsbury, North.....	8 00
Dorchester, Mass., Thank-offering.....	25 00
Ferrisburgh.....	16 00
Miss Ella Bard.....	5 00
Hartford.....	30 05
Hinesburgh.....	5 15
S. S., for Lady Evangelists.....	8 00
Ludlow.....	11 00
Norwich, Miss Annette Ensworth.....	50
Orange, A Friend.....	1 00
Putney.....	17 50
Richmond.....	35 09
Friends.....	25 00
Townshend, S. S., for A. H. M. S.....	4 50
Troy.....	3 83
Tyson.....	6 50
Waitsfield.....	10 20
Dividends.....	55 00
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	4 95

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Barnet, Voluntary Offering Society.....	\$25 00
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., W. H. M. S.....	1 25
	26 25

\$323 74

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in August. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treas.

Abington, First, by E. M. Nash.....	\$53 51
Bank Balances, Interest on.....	18 27
Belmont, Waverly, A Friend.....	10 00
Boston, Dorchester, Pilgrim, by S. B. Holman.....	7 78
Bays, Mrs. Emily P.....	10 00
Brookfield, by J. M. Grover.....	26 00
Danvers, Maple St., by Ebenezer Peabody, to const. Edward C. Burbeck, Benjamin Crombie, Miss Mary E. Batson, and Miss Ada Howe L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	204 02
Deerfield, Orth., by Rev. R. Crawford, for A. H. M. S.....	28 00
Enfield, by L. D. Potter.....	40 00
Framingham, Plymouth, by F. B. Horne.....	125 00
Hamilton, by Jos. P. Lovering.....	28 73
Hamden Benev. Assoc., by Chas. Marsh, Treas.....	
Chicopee, First, S. S.....	\$10 00
Holyoke, Second, to const. Mrs. Josephine L. Rider, Mrs. Emily J. Bardwell, Mrs. Deli E. Barkalow, Mrs. Florence Bentley, Miss Helen F. Whitten and Mrs. Caroline Burland L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	300 00
Monson.....	31 43
Springfield, Oliver, to const. Edward C. Dumbleton & L. M. of A. H. M. S.....	57 00
	398 43

Hatfield, by Alpheus Cowles.....	94 22
Hinsdale, by C. J. Kittredge.....	8 82
Hudson, by A. T. Knight.....	6 00
Huntington, First, by Rev. W. P. Landers.....	2 00
Hyde Park, Blue Hill Evan. Society, by S. T. Elliott, for A. H. M. S.....	5 96
Lawrence, United, by George Houston.....	10 00
Lexington, Hancock, by W. W. Baker.....	31 60
Milford, by W. H. Bourne.....	72 09
Milbury, Second, Y. P. S. C. E., by A. Armsby.....	5 00
New Marlboro, First, by Gilbert Hollister.....	5 00
Norwood, Loder, Rev. A. L., special.....	1 50
Orleans, by J. Higgins.....	6 00
Plymouth, First, Extra-cent-a-day Band, by Helen M. Perkins.....	25 00
Princeton, by Rev. Charles A. White.....	137 16
Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson.....	25 00
Rockland, by Will A. Clark, to const. Miss Nellie Radcliff a L. M. of A. H. M. S.....	50 00
Sharon, by D. W. Petee, to const. William R. Mann a L. M.....	35 73
S. S., by L. W. Morse.....	10 00
Sunderland, by N. A. Smith, toward grant to church in Clayton, Cal.....	120 00
S. S., by N. A. Smith, for Clayton, Cal., Ch. as above.....	25 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by N. A. Smith, as above.....	5 00
Taunton, Winslow, Y. P. S. C. E., by Fred H. Walker.....	5 00
Upton, First, by Horace A. Walker.....	45 83
Wakefield, by W. P. Preston.....	8 97
Williamstown, First (semi-annual) by Chas. S. Cole.....	60 03
Windsor, by Rev. S. M. Andrews.....	10 00
Woman's H. M. Assoc. toward Mrs. Cobleigh's Salary.....	5 00
Yarmouth, by E. D. Payne.....	62 00
	\$1,322 70

HOME MISSIONARY..... 3 60

\$1,326 30

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in August. MISS NATHALIE LORD, Home Secretary.

Hanover, Four Corners, Ladies' Aid Soc., box, \$24; freight, \$1.27; express, 50c. \$25 77

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in August, 1891. WARD W. JACOBS, Treas.

Columbia, by Samuel F. West.....	\$27 00
Glastonbury, South, H. D. Hale, "personal".....	25 00
Hartford, First, by C. T. Welles.....	289 16
Hebron, Gilead, by A. W. Hutchinson.....	90 00
Litchfield, First, by F. D. McNeill.....	69 30
Norwalk, First, by E. C. Bissell.....	50 00
Old Saybrook, quarterly, for A. H. M. S., by Robert Chapman.....	88 24
Stamford, by E. B. Hoyt.....	31 24
Sutfield, West, by Benjamin Sheldon.....	24 03
West Hartford, Anson Chappell, "personal".....	10 00
Windsor Locks, by J. H. Hayden.....	74 00
Woodstock, North, for A. H. M. S., by Anna M. Bishop.....	27 11
Cash.....	10 00
	\$695 08

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in July, 1891. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Anthon.....	\$0 95
Belmond, S. S.....	5 00
Clinton, Ladies' Industrial Soc.....	50 00
Crawfordsville.....	50 00
Elliott.....	2 00
Exira, S. S.....	1 63
Fairview.....	1 00
Hinton.....	1 51
Iowa City, Bohemian.....	1 50
Kellogg.....	3 60
Lakeside, North.....	2 50
Milford and Lakeville.....	6 62
Moivre.....	1 39
Newtonville.....	4 00
Pringhar.....	1 50
Riceville.....	41 55
Rodney.....	1 10
Smithland.....	1 80

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, Treas..... 30 72

Rev. D. E. Skinner.....	5 00
A. Lange.....	5 00
Rev. T. O. Douglass.....	5 00
A Friend, Clinton.....	5 00

\$223 37

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$39,049 71
Connecticut, North Woodstock.....	5 00
District of Columbia, Washington.....	75 00
Massachusetts, Holbrook.....	3 40
Michigan, Detroit.....	50 00
New York, Springville.....	10 00
Rhode Island, Newport.....	4 00
Vermont, Manchester, \$5; St. Johnsbury, \$15; Westminster, West, \$10....	30 00

\$39,227 11

**TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS
OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1891, TO AUGUST 1, 1891.**

	A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*		A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*
New Hampshire.....	\$4 9 50		Indiana.....	\$138 52	
Minnesota.....	1,594 02		Southern California.....	46 55	
Massachusetts.....	598 57		Vermont.....	585 00	
Rhode Island.....	1,329 17		Colorado.....	433 39	
Maine.....	1,053 40		Wyoming.....	29 65	
Michigan.....	148 86		Georgia.....		
Kansas.....	433 60		Alabama.....		
Ohio.....	988 11		Mississippi.....	1 00	
New York.....	131 32		Louisiana.....		
Wisconsin.....	5 69		Arkansas.....		
North Dakota.....	350 15	5 66	Kentucky.....		
Oregon.....	74 15		Tennessee.....		
Washington.....	43 38		North Carolina.....		
Northern Idaho.....	354 50		Texas.....	58 50	
South Dakota.....	117 91		Montana.....		
Connecticut.....	6 2 22		Pennsylvania.....		
Missouri.....	1,518 72		Oklahoma.....		
Illinois.....	485 93		New Jersey.....		
Iowa.....	223 25		Dist. Columbia.....	256 17	
California.....			Maryland.....		
Nebraska.....			Virginia.....		
Florida.....			Utah.....		

Total....\$12,725 73

* This column is to show amounts, as reported to the Woman's Dept., contributed by W. H. M. auxiliaries in struggling churches to help pay the pastor's salary, but not credited to any organization.

Woman's State H. M. Organizations.

OFFICERS.

1. NEW HAMPSHIRE.

FEMALE BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION,

Organized August, 1894.

AND

HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.
Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.
Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2.

MINNESOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized September, 1872.

President, Miss Katherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.
Secretary, Miss Catherine T. Plant, 2651 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.*

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,

Organized February, 1880.

President, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.
Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.
Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

4.

MAINE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,

Organized June, 1880.

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.
Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 168 Hammond St., Bangor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St. Bangor.

5.

MICHIGAN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1881.

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexandrine Ave., Detroit.
Secretary, Mrs. Leroy Warren, Olivet.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabbil, Greenville.

6.

KANSAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1881.

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.
Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

7.

OHIO.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1882.

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St., Cleveland.
Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

8.

NEW YORK.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, 59 Bible House, New York City.

9.

WISCONSIN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 640 State St., Madison.
Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Jackson, 117 Washington St., Janesville.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

10.

NORTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1883.

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.*Secretary*, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.*Treasurer*, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

11.

OREGON.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized July, 1884.

President, Mrs. John Sommerville, 147 First St., Portland.*Secretary*, Mrs. H. J. Livermore, Oregon City.*Treasurer*, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 Park St., Portland.

12.

WASHINGTON.

INCLUDING NORTHERN IDAHO.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,

Organized July, 1884.

Re-organized June, 1889.

President, Mrs. N. F. Cobleigh, Walla Walla.*Secretaries* { Mrs. E. Wilcox, Spokane Falls, Eastern Washington.
Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 406 Tacoma Ave., Tacoma, Western Washington.*Treasurer*, Mrs. W. R. Abrams, Ellensburg.

13.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized September, 1884.

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbins, Bowdle.*Secretary*, Miss Ida E. Willcutt, Willow Lakes.*Treasurer*, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Lake Preston.

14.

CONNECTICUT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized January, 1885.

President, Mrs. Jacob A. Biddle, 35 West St., So. Norwalk.*Secretary*, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New Britain.*Treasurer*, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St., Hartford.

15.

MISSOURI.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3841 Delmar Ave., St. Louis.*Secretary*, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3855 Washington Ave., St. Louis.*Treasurer*, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St. Louis.

16.

ILLINOIS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. Isaac Clafin, Lombard.*Secretary*, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington St., Chicago.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Champaign.

17.

IOWA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1886.

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.*Secretary*, Miss Ella E. Marsh, Box 232, Grinnell.*Treasurer*, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St., Dubuque.

18.

CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

Organized October, 1887.

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 686 34th St., Oakland.*Secretary*, Mrs. L. W. Eckley, 1521 Schilla St., Alameda.*Treasurer*, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St., Oakland.

19.

NEBRASKA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1887.

President, Mrs. T. H. Leavitt, 887 So. 13th St., Lincoln.*Secretary*, Mrs. E. S. Smith, 716 High St., Beatrice.*Treasurer*, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Crete.

20.

FLORIDA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized February, 1888.

President, Mrs. S. F. Gale, Jacksonville.*Secretary*, Mrs. Nathan Barrows, Winter Park.*Treasurer*, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Interlachen.

21.

INDIANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. E. C. Bell, 221 Christian Ave., Indianapolis.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.*Treasurer*, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Michigan City.

22.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. Emma Cash, 1710 Temple St., Los Angeles.*Secretary*, Mrs. H. K. W. Bent, Box 442, Pasadena.*Treasurer*, Mrs. E. A. Spencer, 419 W. Second St., Los Angeles.

23.

VERMONT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. B. Swift, 167 King Street, Burlington.*Secretary*, Mrs. M. K. Paine, Windsor.*Treasurer*, Mrs. Wm. P. Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury.

24.

COLORADO AND EASTERN WYOMING.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1888.

President, Mrs. J. W. Pickett, White Water, Colorado.*Secretary*, Miss Mary L. Martin, 106 Platte Ave., Colorado Springs, Colorado.*Treasurer*, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.*For Wyoming*, Mrs. W. L. Whipple, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

25.

GEORGIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. F. Sheriil, 236 West Peachtree St., Atlanta.*Secretary*, Miss Willie Reynolds, Barnesville.*Treasurer*, Miss Virginia Holmes, Barnesville.

26.

ALABAMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized March, 1878.

Re-organized April, 1889.

President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.*Secretary*, Miss S. S. Evans, 2519 Third Ave., Birmingham.*Treasurer*, Miss M. K. Lunt, Selma.

27.

MISSISSIPPI.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Sarah Dickey, Clinton.*Secretary*, Miss Alice Flagg, Tougaloo.*Treasurer*, Miss Mary Gibson, Tougaloo.

28.

LOUISIANA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Jennie Fyfe, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Secretary*, Miss Anna F. Condict, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. S. Shattuck, Amite City, 29.

ARKANSAS, KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE CENTRAL SOUTH ASSOCIATION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Mrs. E. M. Cravath, Fisk University Nashville, Tenn.*Secretary*, Mrs. Anna Cahill Bennett, Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.*Treasurer*, Mrs. G. S. Pope, Harriman, Tenn. 30.

NORTH CAROLINA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized October, 1889.

President, Miss M. E. Wilcox, Beaufort.*Secretary*, Miss A. E. Farrington, Raleigh.*Treasurer*, Mrs. Geo. S. Smith, 116 W. South St. Raleigh. 31.

TEXAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized March, 1890.

President, Mrs. S. E. Acheson, 1219 W. Woodard St., Denison.*Secretary*, Mrs. M. A. McCoy, 190 No. Harwood St., Dallas.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Lock Box 220, Dallas. 32.

MONTANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1890.

President, Mrs. F. D. Kelsey, Helena.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. S. Bell, 410 Dearborn Ave. Helena.*Treasurer*, Mrs. S. A. Wallace, Billings. 33.

PENNSYLVANIA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. W. H. Osterhout, Ridgway.*Secretary*, Mrs. C. F. Yennie, Ridgway.*Treasurer*, Mrs. T. W. Jones, 215 So. 37th St. Philadelphia. 34.

OKLAHOMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October 1890.

President, Miss M. McCoubert, Guthrie.*Secretary*, Mrs. L. E. Kimball, Guthrie.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. A. McNabb, Oklahoma City 35.

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UTAH.

INCLUDING SOUTHERN IDAHO AND WESTERN WYOMING.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1891.

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4. Mark the box plainly and indelibly, fasten it securely, and forward it to the missionary, not by express, but by a Forwarding Company, if practicable; otherwise as "fast freight," by railroad, taking two receipts from the Company.
5. Write to the missionary, inclosing one of these receipts, a list of the articles sent in the box and the money—\$2, \$3, or \$4, according to weight and distance—for the payment of freight (if it cannot be prepaid). Mention, also, the name of the person to whom a letter of acknowledgment should be addressed.
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7. If a box has been prepared, not for a specified family, but to be assigned by the Secretaries put into it a list of its contents, the name of the association or individual from whom it comes, and the address of the person to whom the missionary may send his letter of acknowledgment.
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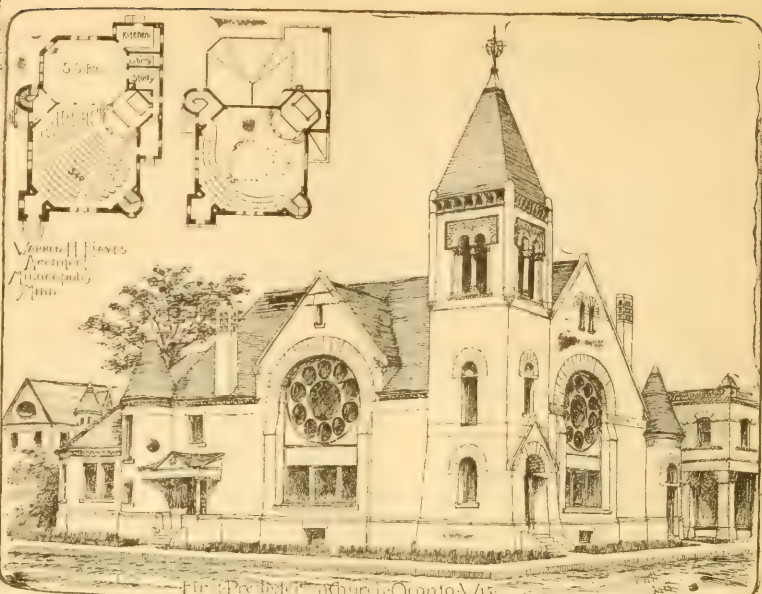
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Population of the place.

Names of the church or churches, and preaching stations.

Number of church-members.

Average of congregation.

Denomination and size of contiguous congregations.

Names and distances of the nearest Congregational churches.

Minister's full name and post-office address: Town, County, State.

Does he reside on his field of labor? Is he installed pastor?

Has he any other calling than that of the ministry?

Of what local church is he a member?

Of what Ministerial Association?

The number of persons composing his family.

Total amount of salary proposed.

Amount pledged by the people and how secured.

Has he, also, the use of a parsonage?

Is aid expected from any other source?

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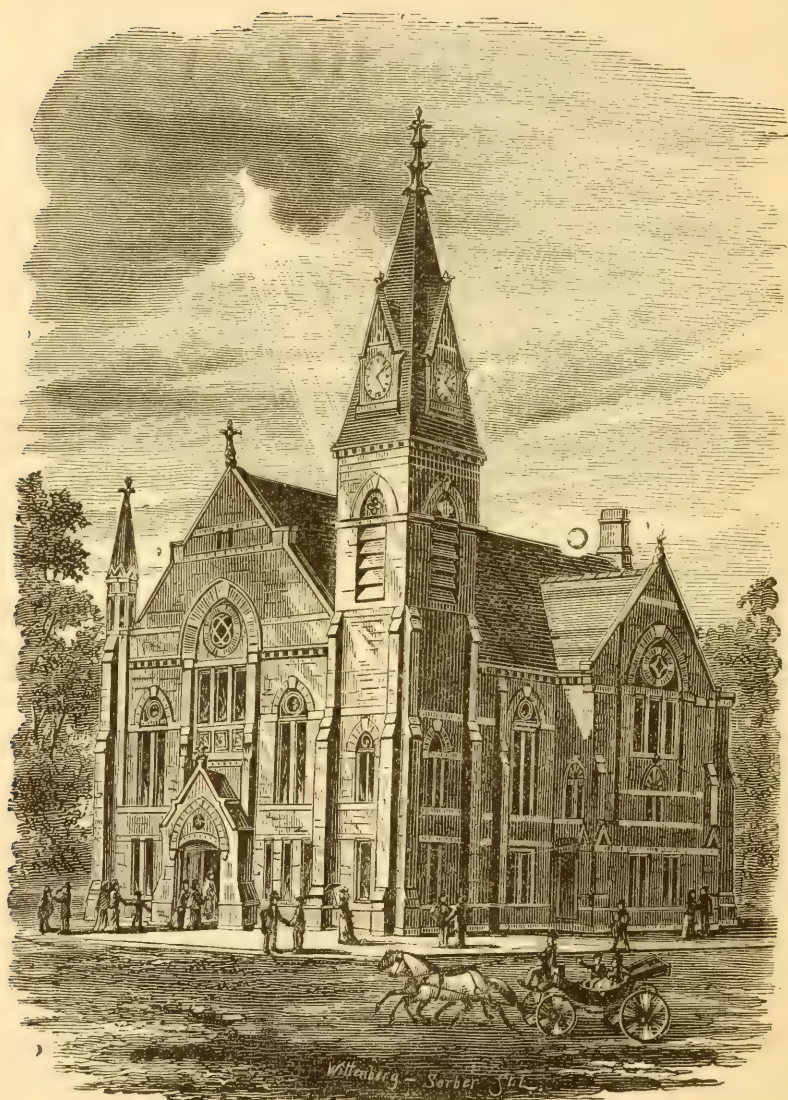
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DR. ADAM CLARKE preached from Isaiah 55: 1, on “The Freeness of the Gospel.” A collection was taken. Why? Water is free—but we must pay for the pitchers to carry it in.



STONE CHAPEL, DRURY COLLEGE.

THERE has been so much interest manifested by the readers of this magazine in our sketches of pioneer colleges that we take pleasure in giving them a glimpse of

DRURY COLLEGE, MISSOURI.

A BIT OF HISTORY.

BY PROF. E. M. SHEPARD.

A LITTLE over nineteen years ago the first steps toward the organization of Drury College were taken. The effort arose from the growing conviction among the Congregational churches that there ought to be, in this section of country, an institution that would provide for the training of its future pastors, teachers, missionaries, and business men and women, and one which, by its presence and work, would elevate the social, intellectual, and moral plane of life throughout the whole region in which it should be situated. So, after much discussion as to ways and means, and some rivalry between the towns of southwest Missouri, it fell to the lot of SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, to receive the new institution for whose founding she had pledged \$58,000 in real estate and cash gifts. Other promises raised the prospective endowment to something over \$100,000; but the financial panic of 1873 swept over the country just in time to deprive the embryo college of the greater part of her expectations. So she was born poor. Six months after the founding of "Springfield College," a new gift came to relieve her financial distress. Mr. S. F. Drury, of Olivet, Mich., came forward with a promise of \$25,000, in consideration of which the name of *Drury* College was adopted, as a memorial to Mr. Drury's deceased son. It is but right to say here that this \$25,000 was mostly in real estate, which, because of great shrinkage in value, never realized anything like the amount anticipated.

When the College was opened, September 25th, 1873, thirty-nine students were present on the first day, and the number increased to one hundred and fifteen before the year was over. Of these boys and girls, mostly in the lower grades of scholarship, six remained to complete a preparatory course and graduate from the College proper. From the very beginning the College has sought to maintain a high standard rather than to attract great numbers; has felt that it must not lose sight of the fact that it was founded to draw the youth of this great and growing country up to a higher level than they had yet known; that it must be, first of all, a CHRISTIAN college, and that its mission was to help the needy as well as to educate those who were able to pay for what they received. So it came to pass that, with an endowment yielding but little and a students' roll showing a large proportion of beneficiaries, Drury did what almost all young colleges do—began to run behind financially.

The first teaching was begun in the small brick structure situated near the southern end of the campus, the one that now, in its declining days, is made a refuge for the library, because books, although not beyond injury from the rains of heaven or falling bricks and mortar, are still less precious than human lives, and so have been placed there to await the time when Providence shall in some way provide a home worthy of our 20,000 volumes. But the new college, with its one small and hastily constructed building, had no great personality, no *center* of life, and but little to incite local pride and enthusiasm.

In 1874 it was decided to build a home for the young women of the institution, and while building to plan as would befit the aims and serve the future usefulness of the College. When all available resources were consulted there was *in sight* about \$11,000 with which to build a hall that would cost in the neighborhood of \$30,000. Alas! what a will o' the wisp had money "in sight" been to those who were identified with the early struggles of the College! Much of it had always danced away before laid hold of, and this time history repeated herself. With the building only partially completed and a debt of \$5,000, the boarding hall stood waiting for help to come. Faint-hearted friends shook doubtful heads at the whole enterprise, but the hand of Providence had not forsaken the work. A new friend was being drawn toward it. It was just at this distressing time that the Rev. Dr. Goodell, always a tower of strength to Drury, succeeded in enlisting the sympathy of Mr. Charles Fairbanks, of London, Eng., who gave \$15,000 for the completion of the structure, which, in grateful recognition of this timely help, was called Walter Fairbanks Hall, in memory of Mr. Fairbanks's young and gifted son, recently deceased.

But the yearly outlay of the College for running expenses was rapidly increasing. Young men and women with no means, but with a thirst for knowledge, knocked for admission, and the College could not turn them away. To help those who needed help was a part of her mission, and in those early days at least one sixth of all the students paid nothing for tuition. Increasing numbers called for more teachers—more outlay in every way, without corresponding income. These facts led to a crisis that was most serious. Again a friend was raised up in the person of the Rev. W. H. Willcox, of Massachusetts, through whose influence \$50,000 from the "Stone estate" became a part of the College endowment. Later, from the same source, came a fund for the building of Stone Chapel, whose rising walls and graceful towers began to fill the hearts of all lovers of Drury with pride. But an unlooked-for calamity visited us at this time. On the morning of December 12, 1882, the cry of "Fire!" rang out from the campus, and before noon the nearly completed edifice was a mass of smoldering ruins. With the loss of \$20,000,

through insufficient insurance, and the burden of restoring Mrs. Stone's beautiful gift, was begun the accumulation of a debt which hung for many years like a millstone around the neck of the College, and threatened the loss of all of her available property.

January of the year '88 marked another important epoch in the history of the College. President N. J. Morrison, whose indomitable will and great faith had carried the institution through all her years of struggle, and who had borne the heavier end of all the burdens that weighed her down, retired from the work that he had so indefatigably and unselfishly sustained, and was succeeded by the Rev. F. T. Ingalls, of Emporia, Kansas.

From the burning of the first Stone Chapel to the end of the year just closed, the life of the College has been shadowed by the struggle against increasing debt. The broadening of the work, the lifting of standards of scholarship, her increase in usefulness through all the channels that a growing institution must fill to overflowing, have all been accomplished in the face of the greatest discouragements. But faith has clung with a deathlike grip to the garments of success, and at last the great battle has been fought and won. How the funded debt of \$44,000 was paid last June, will be a chapter in the history of Drury College that those who love the institution know by heart, and will remember with gratitude all their days.

Drury College can at last look the world squarely in the face. By what she has endured, and by what she has achieved, she claims the right to ask sympathy and further encouragement of all the friends of Christian education. She is but eighteen years old—on the threshold of a career such as is promised to no other young western college—and she needs many things; many friends and their earnest prayers for her welfare; much consecrated money to enable her to do unstinted work; new shelter for books and apparatus, and enlarged facilities for almost every department of instruction. With the debt—the great hindrance to growth—removed, and the impetus of friendly interest which now inspires all her efforts, there is no limit to the future good that adequate equipment for work will render possible to the institution which to-day, in Springfield, opens its doors to the youth of the whole Southwest.

A FEW THINGS NEEDED BY DRURY COLLEGE.

1. SUFFICIENT ENDOWMENT for the running expenses of the College.
2. A new library building for the safety and preservation of the very valuable collection of over 20,000 books.
3. A new roof on the museum building. Damage is constantly done there by falling plaster and water.

4. A more homelike and comfortable lodging-place for boys than the present barnlike dormitories.
5. A building better adapted to the uses of the girls than Fairbanks Hall.
6. Money to adapt Fairbanks Hall to the general uses of the College.
7. Scholarships ranging from \$50 to \$200 each for the aid of deserving students who cannot help themselves.

NOTES.

BY PRESIDENT INGALLS.

THE day of small things never passes for our colleges and universities. In a recent report of the treasurer of Harvard University there is the acknowledgment of a gift of \$3 to the University. Every one has an interest in the college. It is the center of moral and intellectual influences which, directly or indirectly, reach every home. Offerings should flow to it in an unfailing stream. It is the permanent home of that which is best in the life of a people. It enshrines its noblest traditions, it conserves its best thought, it keeps before men the highest ideals, it rebukes materialism and the greed of gain by the example of those who live for the best things in the world. It trains men for the highest forms of leadership. The college is an organism that grows only as it is fed and nourished by those who are benefited by it.

DRURY, in the eighteen years of its history, has received more than three thousand students under its care. They are scattered all through the Southwest, and give frequent testimony to their loyalty to the college. Of the one hundred graduates, some are already leaders of the bar in southern Missouri; some are missionaries; some are successful teachers. They all carry the impress of their training, and we often receive evidence of the place which Drury has made for itself in the Southwest.

THE Christian colleges of the West are becoming more and more the source of supply for an educated ministry for our churches. For the next fifty years these colleges may become the hope and mainstay of Protestantism in the United States. In asking for money we are not asking for wealth, but only for the means to live and grow. Twelve of our students joined the Volunteer Movement last year. A student who came to prepare himself for West Point is now in the Volunteer Movement, and a leader of Christian work in the college. Even with the small numbers of these first years of its existence scarcely a year passes in which the College does not send some students into the ministry.

DRURY is helping to solve an interesting problem in our national life. It was planted as an outpost in the midst of a population that was not in sympathy with New England ideas and traditions. It was a late-comer in a region where institutions had already taken shape and social forces had already given direction to thought and life. Its constituency has always been found among people who cared little or nothing for New England. Yet they have been its friends and supporters. One ex-Confederate is an honored member of its Board of Trust, and is a constant adviser in its management. The College has made a place for itself, and has a great and peculiar mission in that region where the alien forces of our nation are to be fused together.

THE territory which is tributary to Drury includes not only Southwest Missouri, but Southeastern Kansas, Arkansas, the Indian Territory, and even Northern Texas and Louisiana. In all that region it is without a rival in the range and thoroughness of its courses of study, and in its purpose to maintain the highest standards of liberal culture. One part of its work is to show what a college really is, and to exalt to its true meaning the name COLLEGE, as that term is understood where civilization is older, and the standards of liberal culture are properly maintained.

OUR churches are showing their love for Drury College. In the recent effort to pay the debt the weakest as well as the strongest churches contributed. One church gave \$15,000, and one little church sent \$1.56. Churches struggling with debts, and with burdens of all sorts sent their gifts, with prayers and good wishes for the success of their effort. It was, indeed, *Drury's Year*, as for that matter every year should be, among our churches.

THE ladies of the State have undertaken to endow the chair of the lady Principal. They made a good beginning last year with \$550. They expect to raise \$1,000 the present year. Is there not some benevolent friend who will give \$5,000 and name the chair? Another year might see the whole \$10,000 raised.

IN the readjustment of our buildings to meet the growing needs of the college we need a ladies' cottage. We aim to give the same education for young women as for young men. Some of the finest fruits of Drury's work have been the trained Christian women whom the college has sent forth. For a vast region of country Drury is the only institution that affords to woman the opportunity of the highest culture. A building costing \$15,000 would furnish an attractive home for the young women who come to Drury.

THE GREAT VICTORY.

BY A. W. BENEDICT, ST. LOUIS.

THE seventeenth day of June, 1891, will ever be memorable in the history of Drury College as witnessing the extinguishment of the entire bonded debt—some \$44,000. The payment of such a debt under any circumstances and almost anywhere would be a great work; but to lift such a burden from a young and struggling Congregational college in the Southwest, raising the money in a State less than thirty years ago freed from the curse of African slavery, is an achievement not only to be proud of, but to rejoice in, and upon which to found great hopes for the future.

Two years ago the Board of Trustees fairly faced the situation, and bravely determined to undertake to raise the entire amount by Commencement of this year. The facts were laid warm upon the hearts of the people, emphasizing the magnificent record of the college as a progressive Christian institution of the New England type, as shown by the high grade of scholarship it has maintained, its exalted Christian standard, the men and women it has graduated, and through them and its able faculty, and fine corps of students, the influence already felt as a determining factor in the development of Christian thought and culture in the mighty Empire of the Southwest. And the friends of the college thus came to know and appreciate its real power and value as never before, and pastors and laymen, home missionaries and home missionary churches responded nobly to the call. But the sum was large, *very* large to raise in a State where seventy-five per cent. of the churches are beneficiaries of the American Home Missionary Society, and where the two or three so-called "strong churches" seemed to be taxed to their utmost to meet current demands. All over the State went the call, and from almost every church came back a cheerful response—small, indeed, in many cases, but blessed because of the spirit in which it was given. At Drury the students pledged the noble sum of \$1,500 (most of it to be earned at daily wages), and the Alumni \$1,000 more of the \$12,500 apportioned to that district. Kansas City was straining every energy to reach its quota of \$5,000. St. Louis was pushing its attempt to raise \$15,000, while shining at the end of the struggle were the two glittering prizes of \$5,000 each, pledged by D. Crawford, Esq., of St. Louis, and Hon. Charles Harwood, of Springfield, made possible, however, only by the raising of the entire balance.

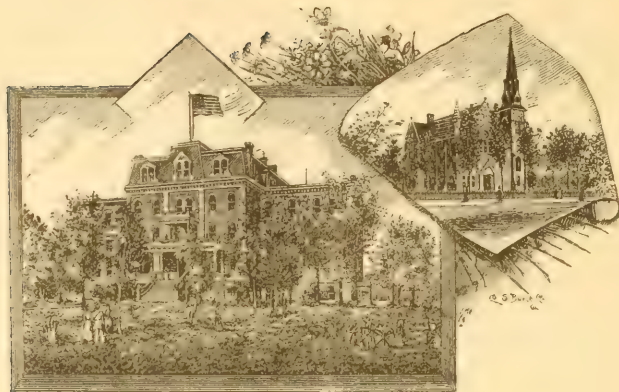
Could it be done in Missouri? Would it be allowed to fail? Many anxious, burdened hearts there were, whose absorbing desire was daily

spread out before the Lord. But, as ever, God answers prayer and honors work. On Wednesday, June 16, the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees was held, and, before adjournment, the treasurer had in his possession a sum sufficient to wipe out the entire debt, and with hearts profoundly grateful to the Giver of all Good, they bowed before God in thankful recognition of the deliverance wrought.

The next day—Commencement—was, indeed, a jubilee. At chapel exercises President Ingalls announced the result. For a moment there was a hush as of a great emotion, and then, as if with one voice, the audience burst forth in cheers of thanksgiving, ending with the college yell, D-R-U-R-Y, Drury, by hundreds of enthusiastic students, awakening echoes amid the rafters of the beautiful Stone Chapel never before heard there. The debt was paid! The day of experiment was ended!! Hundreds of tried friends, interested Christian people, had come to the rescue, and, appreciating as never before the grand mission and actual work of the college, stood pledged by this very act to its continued support. The sacrifices and noble gifts and deeds of those who had wrought in earlier days and had passed on to their reward—that precious seed which had been borne in the days of hardness and trial had ripened into abundant sheaves—and those who bore it seemed to stand again in the midst, sharing our joy and lending their glory to the hour.

The day was a day of rejoicing everywhere, not only because of what had already been done, but in the strength, and hope, and courage for still greater achievement in the future made possible by it. Everywhere was manifested and expressed the feeling that a new day had dawned for Drury.

The Commencement exercises were of a high order, reflecting great credit not only on the graduates, but upon the college, and, as would be expected, the whole exercises were tinged with the enthusiasm of the day. But at the Alumni banquet (at which about one hundred sat down) the enthusiasm reached the “high water” mark. Rarely has a more earnest, intelligent, enthusiastic gathering been seen. About sixty of the Alumni were present—a rare body of men and women trained for service and already in the conflict. For four hours all were oblivious to the outer world. Speech followed speech in rapid succession, appropriate toasts being responded to by President Ingalls, Prof. F. A. Hall, Rev. Henry Hopkins, D.D., Rev. Geo. C. Adams, D.D., Hon. M. L. Gray, D. Crawford, Esq., and many others, each in turn illustrating the various phases of the work already wrought, and the possibilities of the future—all full of faith, and strong in the conviction that *here* is to be developed an institution which shall rank second to none in the West,



FAIRBANKS HALL AND CHAPEL, DRURY COLLEGE.

FAIRBANKS HALL.

BY MRS. H. C. MILNER.

EARLY in 1874 the plans were completed for a building to be the home for the young ladies who should come from abroad to seek an education in Drury. At first the work was pushed vigorously, but during 1875 the funds gave out; and although President Morrison worked bravely, not until the winter of 1875 did light break. We all recall the glad rejoicings when it was announced that Dr. Goodell had secured from his brother-in-law, Mr. Charles Fairbanks, of London, a sufficient appropriation to complete and fit the hall for occupancy in the fall of 1876. As this was given in remembrance of a son who had died the preceding year in the flower of early manhood, the building was named after the donor, a slab engraved with the name of the son being built into the south parlor wall, a beautiful picture of the same hanging near by. Many later gifts we may well believe to have been inspired by the sight of the fine head and the thought of the generous deed which keeps his memory fresh and green. From time to time generous friends and citizens fitted for occupancy the rooms of Fairbanks Hall, but there never has come a time when it has seemed possible to add the wings, the heating apparatus, elevator, etc., that were a part of the original plan. Indeed, as time has gone on it has come to the minds of all that the planning of the Hall fitted it much better for gentlemen's dormitories, and that a building more

in the style of the cottages of to-day was needed to supply the desirable and pleasant home for girls. Toward this both gentlemen and ladies look longingly. At present it is difficult for gentlemen to obtain suitable rooms in the immediate vicinity, and the dormitory supply is wholly inadequate. Who is to be the first to respond to this new call, and endow a Ladies' Cottage with name and substantial beginning?

THE KITCHEN.

BY MISS KATE O'DONALD.

THE kitchen is pleasant, and the morning sun stares in at the east windows, perhaps much interested in the hurrying forms that flit from elevator to sink, from sink to cupboard, in the long room. And then, perhaps, the remarks, interspersed with jokes and laughter, attract the attention of the good-natured king of day, and he wonders what is the importance of "chapel," "chapel," for he hears it often mentioned. 'Tis only this, that three girls are doing the breakfast dishes of the boarding-hall, and are hurrying in the task lest the chapel bell find them tardy—three girls who are interested students, merry companions, ambitious young people, striving for that power which shall make them useful women—a thorough education.

True, the doing of the dishes grows monotonous—such stacks of them three times a day; and cleaning lamps is monotonous, while sweeping and dusting bear the same reputation. But the goal is in sight, the laurel is well worth the effort, and these tasks mean payment of board within the college walls; so they are faithfully continued.

Drury College affords facilities for girls to obtain a careful college education at most reasonable expense. Many have availed themselves of its advantages, and are to-day more earnest workers and more useful women because of Drury. It is the intention of the College to aid students as far as it can by furnishing some work for those who have to make their way and who are willing and efficient. This provision is, however, limited; but from the opening of the Hall to the present time many an earnest girl has done service for the opportunities she has enjoyed.

That the girls of the Southwest are beginning to realize the advantages of college education is attested by the endeavor of some to procure it. One young girl tells her own story as she quietly says, "I was determined to have some college training." Beginning as an apprentice in a dressmaking shop, she learned her trade, supported herself for several years, and finally accumulated a little fund toward her education. She had not been standing still all those years, so when her opportunity came she entered Drury for one year. The year was a success, and her past

summer has been spent in steady sewing by the day to earn another year's study. An excellent young seamstress, careful and faithful, she is opening to herself a new world through the associations as well as the class-room work of a thorough Christian school.

The story of some of Drury's girls is the same as that of many an institution, especially of these young western schools; sacrifices for the parents at home, self-denials and struggles for the girl at school, and oftentimes hard work in the vacations, are the conditions which allow her to continue the work her heart is set upon. All that may be said of the girls in this respect is equally true of the boys.

There is a little fund—under one hundred dollars—which is a circulating loan for H^{all} girls. One uses it, giving her note for its payment with interest; as she pays the loan it is used by another under the same condition. It is the hope to increase this fund so that three or four girls may be helped the same year. [Small sums given for this purpose will be added to the general fund.]

CONDITION OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN MISSOURI.

By MRS. F. B. HINES, CARTHAGE, MO.

THE boy of to-day is the man of affairs to-morrow; the girl of to-day is the mother and home-maker to-morrow. These boys and girls, to the number of nine hundred thousand, are living within the State limits of Missouri. From these thousands the rulers of our State, of our cities, of our towns, the leaders in our churches, and in our Christian work of all kinds, must spring.

What is the condition of these youths and maidens as regards education and culture? Outside the large cities they are without influence that brings them into touch with the thought of the world. They live, work, marry, and rear families in the same old way that their fathers or mothers did before them. Many of the towns and small cities offer far better advantages than are appreciated or used. The boy drops out of the Grammar grade to learn a trade or to learn a business for himself. The girl leaves a few years later because her chum does, or because she is tired of going to school. She devotes her time to useless fancy work or the frivolous society of others like herself.

There is one shire town in Southern Missouri offering an excellent course of study that has not graduated a class from its High School for six years. The last class consisted of one boy. No high ideal of life or of knowledge for knowledge's own sake has been impressed upon the minds of these young people. They need to be aroused to a realizing sense of their needs and of their responsibility to God for their soul life.

The material prosperity and progress of Missouri need no heraldin . Those who passed her by, looking to the broad prairies beyond for wealth, now gaze longingly backward upon her rich fields of waving grain, her countless orchards, her stores of small fruits, and the untold riches buried in her bosom. But while progress has been made in material things there is still a need that the youth of the State be drawn into line to keep pace with this progress in education. They need a better education than they have; a liberal as well as a practical education; an education that gives not simply text-book knowledge, but knowledge that will be of service in the office, on the farm, in the field, or in the kitchen and the nursery. Our young men and women must be awakened to the importance of making the most of themselves. They must learn that each has a body, mind and soul capable of growth and development. Then they need to be stirred with the desire to obtain the highest and noblest life can give.

Is there any help provided for them when they are awakened to the highest aspirations? All over the great State are little institutions of learning, each doing its part in arousing and reaching the young. But in Southwest Missouri, in the flourishing city of Springfield, is a college—a real college! I do not call it a college because of the size or costliness of its buildings nor because of the extent of its grounds; these are good things, but not essential requisites for a college. Brains not bricks constitute the true college. Drury offers to the Missouri boy or girl a training equal in standard and excellence of work to that of Dartmouth or Williams, and at a very reasonable price. The faculty are an able body of men and women, from whom the teaching force of our oldest New England institutions have often been recruited. They are men of sound learning, and earnest, devoted Christian workers.

The student is encouraged to make the most of his physical energies, to cultivate carefully his mental powers, and to devote himself wholly to the cause of Christ. Drury graduates are scattered all over the globe—missionaries in India, Turkey, and Africa—lawyers and doctors, teachers and preachers, happy wives and mothers on this side the ocean. Many of these would never have known what true education is; never have made the effort to make true men and women of themselves, if it had not been for Drury teachers and Drury influences. The work is here, it needs to be done. Drury can do it, and is doing it. Drury needs more funds to make herself more widely known, and so more widely felt in this country. Wherever the spirit of true culture goes in this region it meets a ready response. Boys and girls question, "Where can we go?" "How can we obtain this ideal? We have longed for an unknown something, and now you have made known our desire to us."

Drury needs the power to reveal herself to these seekers in the dark, and the means to help them until they can help themselves.

True culture unfits no man or woman for any place in life; rather it enables him or her to do the humblest task with ease and pleasure, and to reach through the dreariest drudgery the aim of life—"Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

DRURY COLLEGE LIBRARY.

BY PROF. C. D. ADAMS.

A LOG with Mark Hopkins on one end and a student on the other may make a college; yet would it not be well to have a couple of books on the middle of the log? College work cannot advance beyond the most elementary stage without an ample library. Neither faculty nor students can grow without keeping in touch with the best thought of all times. In no one respect is the young western college so sorely hampered as just here. Men and buildings are usually the first thought; books are made quite a secondary matter. Fortunately the beginnings of Drury were made on better principles, and one of the first and most persistent efforts of President Morrison was to equip the young college with a good library. The method was novel and successful. Circulars were prepared setting forth the absolute necessity of a strong library, and the strategic position of the college on the border between North and South. Strong indorsements from men like Porter and Fisher, of Yale, were added, and the invitation given to everybody to send a book to Drury College. A generous response came from all parts of the East, sometimes in single volumes, sometimes in large boxes of books. Several libraries made donations of duplicates, and some publishing houses furnished new books either free or at large reduction from the usual prices. The books so obtained form the bulk of the present library. While many were books of little value save to the antiquarian, yet a great number of standard volumes were sent in—books which have been in constant service, and which form the basis of the working library. The additions by purchase have been small; they have been chiefly in the lines of History and English Literature. A fine outfit of the modern helps for Bible study was purchased when the present system of Bible instruction went into effect; and these facilities were greatly enlarged by the fine library of Dr. Goodell, of St. Louis, which was donated to the college by his wife, as a memorial of his love for its work and his untiring efforts for it. The library now contains about 20,000 volumes and as many pamphlets. A good reading-room is maintained, chiefly by the generosity of St. Louis friends.

The beginning of a library fund has been made by the A. S. Barnes.

legacy of \$1,000; the increase of this fund is the great present need of the library. The miscellaneous donations of books have given a good general library; but the time has come when large purchases of books in special lines should be made; only a large library fund can provide for this.

Two book-clubs are in operation in Springfield and one in Pierce City, which turn into the library from fifty to sixty volumes of current literature each year; the large extension of these clubs would be of great value to the College.

Donations of books are always welcome. Several friends have repeatedly sent fresh, readable volumes from their own shelves during recent years; such gifts keep the library fresh and attractive, but they need to be multiplied a hundredfold.

The work of the College demands immediate enlargement of the libraries for special departments; some departments are almost without books of reference for the advanced students; money will nowhere produce larger results than just here.

The library is used more and more each year and to better advantage; the students have access to it half of every day, and appreciate its value.

CAN HE DO IT?

HARD work is popular at Drury. A boy who earns his way by sawing wood stands better with the students than one who is contented to let other people work for him.

CAN a boy who has no money get an education at Drury College? That depends. Can a boy who is willing to work hard and knows how to do it, earn enough for a college education? Think over this fact: Of the young men who have graduated in the last seven college classes, just one half have been dependent on their own efforts for almost everything.

BUT could they study well too? They have furnished most of the leading students of the College. Moreover, half of these have gone from Drury to higher institutions for post-graduate study in preparation for some of the professions. All this because Drury College opens the way to any plucky boy to get a liberal education.

How does it do it? By keeping expenses low, by being contented with plain living and plain clothing, and by honoring hard work; if these are sound principles, Drury is a good place for boys who have money as well as for those who have not.

WE are all too prone to give God the last. We tarry till the cup overflows, and promise that we will give to him what runs over.

LETTER FROM A PUEBLO INDIAN.

THE following letter is so interesting to me that I forward it to you, adding in explanation the following facts of the writer's history: Lorenzo Ford is a full blood Pueblo Indian, born near Santa Fé, N. M., about 1850. His father was killed by Navajo Indians, and his mother died soon after, leaving two boys, and causing them each to swear solemnly never to forsake the Roman Catholic religion.

A Spanish Don carried Lorenzo off as a slave and abused him. During the Civil War the 2d Colorado, with Captain Ford, of Akron, Ohio, came through the country on the campaign into New Mexico, and Lorenzo ran away and joined Captain Ford's company. He won the goodwill of Captain and Mrs. Ford, and was sent back with Mrs. Ford to Akron, Ohio, where he lived four years, but was so emaciated with malaria that the wife of President Pierce, of Western Reserve College, at Hudson, Ohio, invited him to go to Hudson, and see if he would not get well.

Finding that his health was greatly improved, he was offered a home with Mrs. Pierce, sent to school, and treated generously. When Mrs. Pierce died she exacted a promise that he should have a home there as long as he lived. For some years he remained a Catholic, feeling afraid to break his vow to his mother; and for many years after joining the Congregational church in Hudson he was sorely troubled lest he had sinned in forsaking the Roman Catholic church. When the Christian Endeavor Society was organized there he became intensely interested, and developed into a noble Christian worker.

Rev. T. Y. Gardner, of the Coll. and Ed. Society, commended him to Supr. E. L. Hood for New Mexico work, and he left our Hudson church September, 1890, to go to the training school at Juarez, Mexico, where he spent last year. The church in Hudson gave him a farewell reception, largely attended and manifesting deep feeling at his loss.—*A. B. Cristy, Albuquerque, N. M.*

THE LETTER.

SAN RAFAEL, N. M., Aug. 10, 1891.

My Dear Pastor :

I HAVE just returned from one of my missionary journeys last Saturday, the 8th. Been away from San Rafael almost three weeks and two Sundays from Cubero. Went over the mountains to a new field—took Mr. Moya with me—about twenty miles. We reached there about four o'clock; a little Spanish village. The people were all working with their wheat. The two threshing-floors were together. As soon as the men saw us they all stopped working and came near us. Soon the women came also, so we preached to them from our horses. They all seemed to

be very glad indeed. We had about twenty in all. I asked them if they could read. Only one out of twenty could read. They thanked us very kindly and asked us to come again.

From there we came to a little ranch, and found a young man and his wife working with their wheat. I asked him if he could keep us overnight and feed our horses. He very kindly said, "With great pleasure," for he thought we were missionaries. They left their work and came to the house with us. They seemed very glad to see us, and asked if we were not missionaries; we told him that we were; so the man came near and sat down near by us. So one of us read one of Dr. Talmage's sermons to him. He seemed very much pleased with it. At the supper table I asked him if we could ask the blessing. "Yes, if you like," he said. I wanted to preach that night, but we had no light, not even a candle.

In the morning we read the Bible to him, and explained to him some of the things he could not understand; he would ask questions to find out the truths of God. He told us that he wanted this Christianity and religion. "It is the one I want, and my wife also." He told us about Father Bruner coming to him and charging \$18 for a blessing on his wheat. The last time the Father came to bless him he told him that he should not pay him any more for his blessings; he was no more than man; had no power to forgive sins. So the Father told him if he did not pay he would take his name off the books of the church roll. He said to him, "You can if you like take my name off the church roll; but you cannot take my name off the Lamb's Book of Life in heaven, for Jesus put it there." I felt like shouting "Amen!" it did me so much good. His wife came into the room with her work, and she would have a word to say in favor of Christ. So we left them rejoicing in the peace and in our Christian faith. We went on our way rejoicing too. These poor people could not read a word, but their love for the crucified Savior is strong.

From this we visited three Spanish villages and two Indian. We called on about twenty families to talk and read to them. I told my friend this trip had done a great deal of good. We returned to Cubero.

I left Mr. Moya to rest for the next time and took Mr. Birlaw with me on another journey. We preached in two places. The people came out to hear us. Had good meetings. We returned to Cubero.

The next time we all three went, and held meetings. At one of these a man came to the meeting who walked eight miles to thank us for coming to his house and telling them of the love of Jesus. He told us that his wife was now happy in Jesus. So God has blessed our labors. Some of the good seed has fallen in good ground, and the fruits are already beginning to be seen. My heart rejoices to know that I am able to do a

little for my Master. I have been away two Sundays. On the Sundays I preached six times or taught Sunday-school. I was away from San Rafael almost three weeks, visiting in all fourteen villages, seven Spanish, six Indian, one American. In my journey riding and walking one hundred and sixty-six miles to go over all these villages. I wanted to go over the mountains again, but the boys were tired out, so I thought it best to return to San Rafael, making them promise to go and hold one meeting in the place where that man lives that came to thank us.

I was in hope of going to a town called San Mateo, which is about sixty miles from Cubero, and that would make fifteen villages on the list, but about half hour before I left Cubero, while leading the horses to water, I received a painful kick from one of the horses, so that it was with much trouble I got back to the house, and the twenty-five miles ride was a little too much for me. I am not able to walk but little about my room. I feel like a bird in a cage. I wanted to make one more trip, but feel thankful that I have done a little for my Master. I feel happy, though in pain. It may be all for the best.—*Your co-laborer in Christ,*
Lorenzo Ford.

HAVE YOU SAVED THE MAN?

A FEW years ago a homeward bound vessel was wrecked on the southwest coast of England. The lifeboat was launched, and away the men went, and were a long while at sea. Darkness set in, but the people on the coast lighted great fires so that the lifeboat might be guided on its return to shore. After a while they saw it returning, and a great, strong man, by the name of John Holden, who was on the coast, cried aloud to the captain of the lifeboat, "Hi! hi! have you saved the men?" The captain answered, "Ay, ay, I have saved the men;" and all hearts were filled with gladness.

But when they reached the coast it was found that *one man was left clinging to the mast*. "Why did you not save him?" said Holden—"why did you not save him?" "Because we were exhausted," said the captain, "and we should all have perished if we had remained another five minutes attempting to save one man." "But you will go back, you will go back to the rescue?" They said they had not the strength, the storm was so fierce.

Holden threw himself on the shingle and lifted up a prayer to God, louder than the storm, that God would put it into the hearts of some of those people to go to the rescue of *this one man*. When he had ceased praying, six men volunteered to accompany him. They were preparing to start, when the good old mother of John Holden threw her arms around his neck, and said,

"John, you must not go. What can I do if you perish? You know your father was drowned at sea, and it is just two years since *your brother William left*; we have never heard a word of him since. No doubt he, too, has perished. John, what shall I do if you perish?"

John said, "Mother, God has put it into my heart to *go*, and if I perish he will take care of you."

And away he went; and after a while the lifeboat returned, and when it neared the coast a loud voice was raised,

"Hi! hi! John, have you saved the man?"

John answered in a trumpet voice, "Yes, we have saved the man; and tell my mother IT IS MY BROTHER WILLIAM WE HAVE SAVED." Every unsaved man in this world is our brother. Have we any responsibility?—*Exchange.*



THE GOSPEL TENT.

It is found to be useful in aggressive work. In proof of this send to Secretary Tompkins of Illinois, for his Gospel Tent story; or to Superintendent Sanders, of Colorado, who exclaims in a recent letter: "How much I miss that Gospel Tent!—my Hyde Park tent, in which three important churches were born, and the fourth housed for a time, and in which many souls were won to Christ. As you know it was destroyed some months ago. No one knows how much I need another!"

Through the courtesy of Dr. Tompkins we are able to present a picture of the tent now in use in Southern Illinois.

This tent seats comfortably four hundred people, but here, and at

Metropolis, two years ago, the seating capacity has been found altogether inadequate for the numbers who congregate to hear the Gospel.

Many who do not go away, sit or stand unsheltered, while many others, we are confident, do not come at all, as the want of room is soon seen and felt—even on the second service held here. There is a crying need of a larger tent, one which will seat at least one thousand people. The tent now in use could still be used in the smaller towns, where work is demanded. For the larger places, to which we are imperatively called, more room and shelter must be provided if the work is to go on unchecked, and reach its best results. The cry, "How to reach the masses" becomes, "*How shall the masses reach us?*" Such a tabernacle is needed at once. It will cost \$300 only. Has not the Lord a steward, one or more, whose gifts may provide a trysting place—a "tent of meeting" for God and these multitudes? On some occasions, the writer has witnessed more people go away for want of seats and shelter than the average audiences in some of our churches.

CLEVELAND BIBLE-READERS' SCHOOL FOR TRAINING HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARIES.

IN accordance with the resolutions passed by the Congregational Ministers' Meeting of Cleveland, the Ohio Congregational General Association and the National Council of Congregational Churches, held in Worcester, Mass., in October, 1889, the Missionary Board having in charge the Slavic Bible-Readers' School of Cleveland, Ohio, has decided to enlarge the work of the school, and admit any lady with the necessary qualifications who desires to prepare herself for missionary or Bible-readers' work among any class of our population.

The course of instruction will be enlarged, and the number of instructors increased to meet the needs of all who may wish to enter.

The course of study includes a general course in the Bible (English, Bohemian, etc.), the study of particular books of the Bible, Bible and Church history, methods of Christian work, vocal and organ music, elocution, Bohemian and Polish grammar. There are classes for the review of common English branches, but we do not encourage American ladies to enter who have not already the elements of an English education.

There will also be lectures by the pastors of the city on practical subjects connected with missionary work, and on the care of the sick by competent physicians and nurses. House-to-house visiting is also required as a part of the course, and one hour a day of housework. The entire course covers three years, but more advanced pupils may complete it in one or two years. The expense need not exceed \$200 a year.

Help will be given to a limited number who desire to prepare themselves for missionary work, but who are unable to pay all their expenses.

This school is, as far as we know, the only Bible-readers' school connected with our denomination from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and the only one of any denomination in this country which prepares female missionaries to work for foreign peoples in their own language.

From the small beginning, five and a half years ago, this school has been wholly dependent on the voluntary gifts of friends of the cause, and it has never been in distress for lack of means. The new enlargement is undertaken because here seems to be a providential call for it, and with the confident expectation that He who so manifestly led to its inception, and who has certainly guided in every stage of its development, will not fail to provide both the consecrated pupils and the means of preparing them for their important work.

For further information address Bible-Readers' School, Fowler Street, Cleveland, O.

REV. H. A. SCHAUFFLER, D.D.,

Committee of the Board.

MISS CLARA HOBART,
Principal.

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Woman's Department.

LOVE.

LOVE is the life and soul of all Christian work. Success depends upon it. Where would be the heart-interest, the faith, hope, courage, and patient continuance but for the inspiration of love. Indeed, these are the fruits of love.

"The love of Christ constraineth us," says Paul. How?

We must be taught of the Holy Spirit to know, to perceive, to feel that love, for it is only when we are conscious of the blessed presence of Christ in our hearts, which is a never-failing spring, continually overflowing, that love goes out, not only to him, but to all whom he loves. The constraining power of this heaven-born affection is beyond our comprehension.

"He died for all, that they which live should not live henceforth unto themselves, but unto him who died for them."

It would seem, then, that we are commissioned henceforth to live not unto ourselves, but for others. Millions have yet to know the preciousness of Christ's love. His words to you and to me as believers,

"Love one another as I have loved you," constrain us to go forth, not only hearers, but as doers of the Word.

"I am the light of the world; he that believeth on me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

Love is the light by which we see Christ; by which we read his will; by which we recognize our opportunities. By love alone can souls be saved, uplifted, fitted for life in this world and the next.

Our hearts are overflowing with this wonderful love of Christ. Are not we constrained to give and speak and live for him? Are not we constrained to help others to the joy, peace, and comfort in Christ which we enjoy? Do not our hearts echo the words of Faber?

"O Lord, that I could waste my life for others,
With no ends of my own!
That I could pour myself into my brothers,
And live for them alone!"

—Mrs. L. B. R., Missouri.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The picturesque town of Claremont, N. H., never looked lovelier than under the bright skies of September 15-17, when the General Association and the Woman's Cent-Union gathered for their annual meeting. The discussion of the practical questions of the day added interest to every session of the Association.

Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, President of the Woman's Cent-Union, conducted the sessions of this Society with her usual quiet grace. A full program was carried through with such dispatch that a pastor was heard to exclaim,

"That meeting was conducted on business principles!"

The report of the year's work, as given by the Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, was of peculiar interest, and should be read by every New Hampshire woman. Miss McFarland's statement of the prosperous condition of the treasury gave new courage to the faithful.

Many who attended the sessions of the Woman's Society declared their intention to enter more heartily into the work another year.

It is strange that the large attendance of pastors at the meeting of the Cent-Union should be worthy of note. The western pastor will not willingly deny himself the inspiration of the Woman's Annual Meeting, but—as a rule—the Woman's Meeting at the East is not overcrowded with eastern pastors.

The important questions which came before the Cent-Union at this time, in the matter of adjusting the new wine of the "Union" to the ancient bottles of the historic "Cent Institution" by some important

changes in the Constitution, were amicably settled to the satisfaction of all present. Notwithstanding the difficulties incident to the rearrangement of the Old-New Society the treasury has received \$3,454.03, a gain of \$800 over last year.

We look for good work in New Hampshire this year. May the divine blessing attend every effort of the CENT-UNION in its work at home and at the front!

KANSAS.

At the recent Annual Meeting of the Kansas Woman's "Society" the name was changed to Woman's UNION, and the Constitution so amended that funds may be sent through the treasury of the Union to the Six National Home Missionary Societies. Valuable papers were presented upon "Studying God's Providence in Mission Work," by Mrs. Stevens; "The Foreign Work of our Home Missionary Boards," by Mrs. Sheldon; and "Systematic Study of Home Missions," by Mrs. Drake, of Manhattan. Hon. J. G. Haskell told the ladies the "Story of a Rug," the work of an earnest lover of Home Missions, who left this last token of her hands to help the cause so dear to her heart.

It may interest our readers to know that this rug was bought at the meeting, and sent to the editor of *The Home Missionary*. The story of the woman who prepared this offering is of pathetic interest. To increase her gift the rug is again "For Sale."

The officers of this Union express the sentiment of all Christian workers when they say, "Looking back, we thank God; and looking forward we take courage."

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

In her report of the Children's work in Southern California, Mrs. Dwight says: "The greatest obstacle to our work is the constant excuse of 'not knowing.' As Christian mothers and teachers we must save our children from this plea by teaching them early of the privilege of giving, not only because it is right to give, but because their hearts are so touched by the sorrows and wants of others that they cannot withhold their gifts. By knowledge comes interest."

The children in these mission bands are giving an average of fifty cents a member. It pays to interest the children.

This Union has revised its Constitution, and added the following: "Any Children's Society may become auxiliary to the W. H. M. U. by contributing not less than \$2.50 annually, and shall be entitled to send its leader as delegate to the meetings of the Union." This is surely a move

in the right direction. Another is the Nebraska plan, to make the children life members of the Union by payment of \$5, and giving a child's certificate of life-membership for the same.

THE MITE-BOX.

BY MARY M. SMITH, RIVERSIDE, SO. CAL.

It would be interesting, if there were material at hand to draw from, to take up the history of the mite-box from its first inception in the mind of the woman who originated it, and trace it down to the present time, but I do not know even her name, nor when, nor how the little seed was planted. It would be interesting to gather up statistics of its multiplied and far-reaching growth, but I have no means of doing this. I only know that the mite-box has come to be an important factor in the work of our Woman's Missionary Societies. It is used all over the country. I have seen it in far-away farmhouses, in the hill towns of New England, set upon the mantel-piece for family use. I have seen it on bureaus and dressing-tables in village homes. It bids fair to become a part of the toilet-furnishing of every woman in the Congregational household. I think it is essentially a woman's institution. Who ever heard of a man using the mite-box for his benevolences? The more dignified envelope suitable for checks and bank bills belongs to him. Let us then make the most of our mite-box. It has been in use by the Riverside auxiliary since its organization, and our three years' experience with it has proved to us its efficiency. Let me go somewhat into detail as to our method of introducing it and our system of collection. According to our constitution, any woman may become a member of our society who will take a mite-box and through it, contribute to its treasury. It is our aim to invite personally each one in our church, and as far as possible in our congregation, and it is a rare thing to find one who will refuse. The demand made upon her is reduced to the minimum, merely to take a box and put something into it, however little. I mention, therefore, as the first advantage of the mite-box, that it secures the largest membership. You can readily see that many will take a box and contribute, who may not be able to attend the monthly meeting, but in this way they feel that they are a part of us, and we, in our turn, are benefited by their interest and prayers. Others will take boxes who have no special interest in the work, and have no desire to attend the meetings. This makes our list of passive members large, but there is always the hope of transferring these to the active list, and we have often found this expectation realized. Under this system there are, of course, many small givers in our membership, and this, of itself, is an advantage.

Who can tell what is large or what is small in the offerings made to the Lord's treasury? Who can estimate the value of the earnest prayers, which are quite as likely to accompany the small gift as the larger one? It has been said, "A hundred women giving a dollar each, if only able to give that, count a hundredfold more than one woman giving a hundred dollars, for the prayers of the hundred women are ours also." The large membership which this system secures does not necessarily mean the largest contribution, but I believe the mite-box, if rightly used, will secure this. Of course there will be some in every society who do not make a right use of it. Perchance it may be hidden away and scarcely looked at from the day it is brought home until the notice comes that the time for collection is at hand; then it receives whatever the giver may be able to spare, which is usually very little. We have all doubtless read that most interesting and suggestive leaflet, entitled, "Thanksgiving Ann," which so forcibly illustrates the difference between systematic and haphazard giving. The poor old colored servant, by laying aside regularly out of her small earnings, had as much to give to the agent of the Bible Society when he called as her rich master, who had no plan in his giving. Shall we plan for everything else and leave out of our thought the Lord himself and the work he has left us to do? It is very desirable, therefore, that we urge each member to have some plan in filling her box—herein lies the secret of its success. When each one will so do, the contributions of our local societies will double. A sufficient number already are faithful in this matter to prove the truth of this assertion, that the mite-box, if rightly used, will bring in the largest amount to the treasury. Let me give the experience of one member of our Society, by way of illustration. When asked to join, she hesitated, knowing that she had little to give, and that her duties would prevent her attendance upon the meetings; but she took a box, and to my surprise, at the end of the year, it was found to contain more than that of any other one in the Society. At my request, she told me how she filled it. Every gift meant some personal sacrifice. Sometimes it was in giving up the horse-car, walking instead, that the amount of her fare might go into her box. Sometimes it was in going without some article of apparel, which at first she thought she needed. At one time a pair of brown kid gloves seemed necessary to match her new brown suit, but, upon thinking the matter over, she reasoned in this way: "Now, those black gloves of mine are good enough, and it doesn't matter if they are not just the color I would choose. The Home Missionary Societies need that dollar and a half more than I need the gloves, and it shall go into the box." At another time, being extremely fond of good music, she planned to attend a fine concert, paying a dollar for her ticket, but the box coming into her mind, she concluded to stay at home and put the money

there, saying she thought the Home Missionaries needed the money more than she needed the evening's enjoyment. Besides the "SACRIFICE GIFT," of which this is an illustration, there are many other methods for filling the box. There is the "SABBATH NICKEL" plan, as a part of the Sabbath morning worship, putting in regularly a nickel or any other definite sum, accompanying the gift with a prayer. There is the "DIME PLAN," putting into the box all the ten-cent pieces which come into your possession. The "SABBATH PROFIT" plan, devoting to the Lord the profits on eggs, milk, fruit, etc., coming on the Sabbath. The "INVESTMENT PLAN," investing in some business enterprise any sum, from a penny up, and consecrating the earnings. We know that this method has been used with success with children and youth, and why should it not be equally successful with older ones. The "THANK-OFFERING" plan, remembering the box whenever one feels special thankfulness in view of some deliverance from danger, recovery from sickness, or in remembrance of the many common daily mercies which we are too apt to forget, but which at times overwhelm us, as we contrast our lot with that of others. We are familiar with the story of Mrs. Pickett's missionary box. On the little box presented to her by her enthusiastic niece, Mary, were the words, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits to me?" We can picture the old woman as she stands with her arms akimbo, looking that box all over, and finally exclaiming, "Great benefits I have! Guess they won't get much out of me at that rate!" But Mary induces her to try it at a cent a piece, "just for the fun of it," she says, and so the old woman concludes that she will keep count, just to show how little she did have to be thankful for. We know the result. How the mercies began to grow upon her, and the pennies to follow each other in quick succession, and how when the box was opened there were found in it three hundred and fifty cents, "blessed cents," she calls them, besides the little five-cent piece that represented a special blessing.

What we would emphasize, then, is the necessity of having *some* plan—let each member make her own, but *make* it, and adhere to it. Whatever plan is adopted, let us each remember the sacrifice gift, and from time to time, through some special self-denial, make an extra offering, for such gifts must be acceptable to Him whom we desire in this way to honor. The collection of the mite-boxes in our Society is made yearly, and for the last two years we have had public openings at the church, which always create much interest, and bring out some who rarely attend our meetings. Last year we served a tea, to which all the members of the Society and their families were invited. The interest of the evening centered about the opening of the mite-boxes, which our treasurers previously collected, and which were arranged in a pyramid on the table in front. As each box was opened, the amount was stated, and a record

of it made and the total thus easily determined. There can be no objection to this public opening, as no names accompany the boxes, so there are no invidious comparisons made. We found it interesting to have the boxes contain some Scripture verse or bit of personal experience to be read as the amount is being counted. Other ways will suggest themselves to you, to add interest to these meetings.

The mite-box system, like every other, will not run itself. It requires constant thought and planning to make it effective.

"Nobody but a woman would have thought of the mite-box. Let us show to the church the wisdom and foresight of the conception by the munificence of the results."—*From Report of Southern California.*

Our Young People.

CHILDREN! YOU CAN DO IT!

Do you know how many of you there are in our Congregational Sunday-schools?

600,000!

It would take you a long time to count 600. How long would it take you to count 600 a thousand times?

Just think what such an army can do *if every soldier does his part!*

Why, if each one of you will bring only a dime to the

GRAND HOME MISSIONARY RALLY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1891,
we shall have to count 600 dimes a thousand times. How many *dollars* will that make?

\$60,000! Almost enough to wipe out the Society's debt. Should you do this, others, moved by your example, would speedily make way with the remainder.

On your "Enrollment Card" you will see a blank space for your name, and another one for your contribution. Your Sunday-school teacher will be glad to fill up the blanks as you shall direct.

These cards will be ready for you Sunday, November 22, at the


GRAND ARMY RALLY.

We have prepared also an exercise for you to use on that day. The program is arranged for the older girls and boys, and for younger girls and boys; there are also recitations for the very little children so that all may take part.

Please send to the American Home Missionary Society, Bible House, N. Y., for as many copies as you can use in your Sunday-school.

REMEMBER THE DAY—SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

PREPARE FOR THE GRAND HOME MISSIONARY RALLY,
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY			
<h1>BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.</h1>			
<p>This Certifies that _____ by the</p> <p>payment of _____ is enrolled a soldier in the</p> <p>Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army.</p>			
<p>David B. Lee</p> <p>Alex. McClapp</p>	<p>Nov. Sec.</p> <p>TREASR</p>	<p>Jos. Brown Clark</p> <p>Wm. Kincaid</p> <p>Washington Chavate</p>	<p>Secs.</p>

THE ENROLLMENT CARD

FOR THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.

A cut of it we give above. This has been prepared expressly as a certificate of membership in this great host of our young friends whom we hope to enlist in the work.

We regret that we cannot show, in the cut here presented, the colors which will beautify the certificate, making it attractive to the eye, and a token of enrollment that will be eagerly desired by the Boys and Girls.

Upon the reverse of the card will be a map of the field of the A. H. M. S.—the field for the conquest of which for Christ, the summons goes out for 300,000 volunteers from our Sunday-schools.

In naming this host "The Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army," we do not wish the older members of the Sunday-schools to feel that they are excluded from enrollment. Let every scholar and teacher and officer become one of this army.

Samples of these cards, and a handsome motto for the desk or the wall of the school-room will soon be sent to each superintendent; and we trust that officers and teachers will cordially respond, and bring this to the attention of the scholars.

We hope the enrollment gift will be at least a dime, more if possible, but would not decline to enroll scholars if they could not give but a half dime, or even less than that.

THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN MISSIONARY HORSE.—The young people who provided Rev. J. W. Gunn, Steamboat Springs, Col., with a missionary horse, will read with interest the following extract from a recent letter from him:

"During the past week I have taken a hundred-mile journey on that Home Missionary Horse, visiting and preaching in the lower country.

"Our sorest need continues to be a house of worship. The work of getting one moves, but it moves discouragingly slow. I have canvassed the field but can get little money. Our long distance from the railroad and from the large markets makes the circulating medium very scarce. We get larger subscriptions in labor and material, but we have to wait the convenience of those who have subscribed to pay these pledges. The missionary is man of all work. In the intervals of study and calling I have cleared the sage brush off our building site, and shall be hauling the stone for the foundation as soon as I can secure a team.

We have received various small gifts which have enabled us to buy the building site for our church; and by careful economy we shall be able to lay the foundation. Then we have the hard problem of getting the building erected. We can get, indeed *have*, the greater part of the material on subscription and can have credit for the remainder; but we shall need something like \$250 to pay the workmen. Labor here is exceedingly high. And we must also purchase windows and doors. Once we get the building up and inclosed, then the A. C. U. will come to our aid with a grant that will enable us to finish the church and occupy it."

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

In the first six months of the current (sixty-sixth) financial year the receipts at the treasury of the National Society have been as follows :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$13,542 54	\$17,280 43	\$30,822 97
May.....	24,052 85	3,223 02	27,275 87
June.....	15,608 82	6,907 54	22,516 36
July.....	13,919 50	13,852 15	27,771 65
August	8,197 04	10,551 90	18,748 94
September.....	16,819 54	15,352 35	32,171 89
	<hr/> \$92,140 29	<hr/> \$67,167 39	<hr/> \$159,307 68

The receipts in the corresponding months of 1890 were :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$20,306 48	\$3,723 85	\$24,030 33
May.....	14,969 79	2,066 64	17,036 43
June.....	11,845 88	2,163 11	14,008 99
July.....	25,145 31	17,236 06	42,381 37
August	14,235 36	5,642 46	19,877 82
September	16,241 59	1,664 53	17,906 12
	<hr/> \$102,744 41	<hr/> \$32,496 65	<hr/> \$135,241 06

The above table shows receipts in September, \$32,172; from contributions, \$16,820; from legacies, \$15,352—a gain of something more than \$14,000 over September, 1890. The gain, however, is entirely due to legacies, the gifts of the living in the two Septembers being very nearly equal.

Six months of the financial year closed with the 30th of September. It will be seen that the total receipts in that first half of the year were \$24,067 more than those of the first half of 1890. Here, also, the gain is wholly due to legacies, the receipts from which were \$67,167 in 1891, and \$32,497 in 1890. Had the offerings of the living in these six months kept only even pace with those of 1890 we should now report an advance of \$34,671. But the contributions have fallen off \$10,604, instead of increasing by at least \$50,000, as they should to meet the imperative needs of the work.

The Superintendents, oppressed with the responsibility laid upon them by the work already in hand, and the new fields everywhere calling

for spiritual culture—the natural outgrowth of past planting and training—are calling with painful earnestness for an increase of their apportionment for the year. The Executive Committee read these appeals with not less painful anxiety as to their own duty and the will of the churches, whose servants they are. With \$125,000 due the bank, an obligation which the Committee do not feel authorized to increase, and reports coming in daily to swell the amount due the toiling missionaries, what can the Committee do but again to appeal to those whose work they are doing, and by whose offerings alone that work can go on?

Pastors, Sunday-school superintendents and teachers, Christian brethren and sisters, this work is yours. The consecrated men and women in the field are working in your stead. The winter is just before them; they cannot meet it without material supplies in the larder, the wardrobe, and the library. Must we, can we say to them that these you are unable or unwilling to furnish? We beg for your immediate reply, and that in the only form which can reach the case.

AN OFFER.—A generous friend of the American Home Missionary Society has made an offer which is worth consideration. He would like to be put into communication with some one who wishes to buy a good farm in Danvers, Mass. It is a desirable estate, situated in a good neighborhood of Americans, who own their farms. It is surrounded by good roads; is about one mile from schools and churches, and within fifteen minutes ride of Beverly Beach; three miles from Salem, and fifteen miles from Boston. It is almost exclusively a vegetable farm. It has also a good cranberry patch. This farm is owned by Mr. Algernon P. Nichols, Haverhill, Mass., who sends this message to the Society:

"I will sell this farm for \$5,000, and put the money into the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society. I would like to sell it to a good man, who will occupy it during his lifetime and then bequeath it to the cause of Home Missions. I should be glad to be put into communication with a purchaser, and will furnish additional details concerning this matter to those who desire it. I refer you to Rev. Chas. B. Rice, of Danvers Center, also to John A. Panham, real estate dealer."

"OUR COUNTRY."—The following from the "Record of Christian Work" is the unanimous testimony of the readers of the new edition of this powerful book:

"The revised edition of 'Our Country,' by Rev. Josiah Strong, seems like a new book rather than a revision. We have taken liberal extracts from one chapter only, but the whole book is equally interesting and

thrilling. It is revised and the figures brought up to date. The new chapter on our public schools is one of great power and worth ten times the price of the book. Cloth, 60 cents; paper, 30 cents."

For sale at 34 Bible House, and The Baker & Taylor Co., N. Y. City; F. H. Revell, Chicago.

"THE HOME MISSIONARY SCRAP BOOK" was compiled to help busy pastors and Christian workers in gathering selections for missionary meetings. The demand for this booklet proves that it was needed. Just now we receive a message from Missouri. "Is the Scrap Book a *real* book for sale, or is it a *suggestion* that leaders should make one of their own?" Leaders! why not make one of your own?

THE W. H. M. U., of Wisconsin, has a new idea, which we are happy to "pass on." They apply to the A. H. M. S. for a supply of the Annual Report of the Woman's Department, and use it as a *roll* for the certificate of life membership sent by mail to life members. The new life member is thus intelligently introduced to the work of our homeland women in forty-three States and Territories.

SUGGESTIONS.—Some of our young people this fall have enriched their missionary treasury by means of "Nutting Parties."

"THE WORK AT HOME," published by the W. H. M. A., at Boston, Mass., contains a monthly paragraph which is of practical use to busy workers. It is entitled "Current Mention," and tells its readers where to find the latest material of missionary interest for auxiliary meetings.

If you wish to interest young people in a missionary meeting give each one something to do, if it is nothing more than distributing hymn books.

At the Lewis Avenue church, Brooklyn, N. Y., where the meetings are of exceptional interest, a little paper, called "The Budget of News," is read at the regular meetings of the Auxiliary. This paper is filled with news about missionary matters, good points, wit, and humor. The ladies greatly enjoy contributing to its columns and listening to the reading of the same at the meeting.

BY THE WAY.

WHAT is a "crank"? An Illinois pastor says, "The crank is a motor power in society."

"I SAT up until nearly midnight," said an Indiana lady, "on the arrival of the August *Home Missionary*, and read it through every word. A change has

come to our house in the matter of reading missionary intelligence. *The Home Missionary* is never thrown into the waste basket with its wrapper on in these days, and frequently my husband says, 'Where is the last *Home Missionary*? I have not seen this month's issue.' The women of Indiana, as you know, have to work all sorts of ways to get a foothold in the churches either for home or foreign missions; but during the last year we have seen encouraging signs of progress."

If those who have money could realize what it means to a missionary wife to receive a check that enables her to attend one of our annual meetings at Saratoga, the experience would be often repeated. "The flavor of my trip East," says a wife thus favored, "still lingers with me, and instead of dreaming in my restless night hours of the dreary little bare prairie homes in sod houses and shanties and dug-outs, of scanty fare, of dangerous trips across country, as for years I have done, I dream of the beautiful eastern homes, homes of plenty, filled with delightful people, who have time to think of the courtesies of life. I dream of lovely New England scenery, and in fact I live over again and again all I enjoyed in connection with that annual meeting at Saratoga, and all of which I owe to the generous-hearted lady who made it possible for me to take all this into my life."

THE CONGREGATIONAL Sunday-schools of Kansas hold a Harvest Home Festival every year, at which time they give expression to their gratitude to God for the harvest, by making a thank-offering for Home Missions. At this time an interesting program is rendered, which includes important statistics concerning the work in Kansas. By this happy method, Superintendent Broad is preparing the next generation to be liberal and *intelligent* contributors to missions.

THE KINGFISHER ACADEMY, Oklahoma, has reopened with over forty pupils at the beginning of the term, and several additions later. Miss Delia M. Smoke, the principal, is by reputation a "number one teacher, scholar, lady, and Congregationalist!" From this pioneer principal we have the following:

"The possibilities of this new institution are inestimable.

"A certain revered and esteemed lady principal used to quote these words to us often: 'Young ladies, you can see a great prospect through a very small opening, sometimes'; and to those who consider how much the planting of a Christian school in this portion of our inheritance means, there is no need of searching further for an application of the quotation just made.

"We need everything in the way of apparatus: a manikin and physiological charts; globe and maps; an International Dictionary or two; books for a library; and apparatus for Natural Science. Of course these will come by and by, but if we *could* have them to begin with the efficiency of our work this first year would be greatly increased."

The Gospel Wagon Band for Oklahoma is no longer a theory, but a glad reality. Thanks to the generosity of eastern friends the horses, harness, and wagon are purchased. The need now is \$75 per month to furnish salaries for the three young men composing the Band. Young people, we commend to *you* this Band of young ministers who have entered into this work for Oklahoma. At least you can pray for them.

SUPERINTENDENT WARREN, of Michigan, tells us that during the past year eight home missionary churches have been organized in that State, and thirteen have assumed self-support. The churches are urged to raise \$20,000 this year for

State work. It is still the determination of Michigan churches to reach self-support in 1892. This transition will call for faithful effort and much sacrifice; but if the dependent churches do all in their power to develop their own resources, and the stronger churches cheerfully lend a helping hand to the weaker, the great undertaking can be accomplished.

THE friends, who became so much interested in the work of the "converted coal miner" of Indiana, Rev. Jas. Hayes, will be glad to know that his desire for a Reading Room for the miners is likely to be gratified. It will be remembered that he asked for \$250 for this purpose. He has received about \$137. "With this," says Mr. Hayes, "we shall put the roof on; then comes flooring, plastering, and paint. Word comes of forty dollars on the way from Amherst, Mass. This will greatly help. We pay our bills as we go along. The miners are already talking about the pleasant evenings they expect to spend in the Reading Room the coming winter. We have reorganized our temperance work and eight of the worst drunkards have recently signed the pledge. I am astonished at the influence they exert over their old companions. If only the Reading Room were completed, what a help it would be to them in keeping them out of temptations by which they are surrounded through the multitude of saloons here. I have no sympathy with any temperance movement that does not lead the soul to Christ and a better life. Our Reading Room is to be a great help to the church.

"Yesterday I preached at Perth. The open saloon on Sunday, the race-course and baseball game nearly absorbed our Sunday-school. The Superintendent is quite discouraged, so yesterday I told the children that I would make an extra effort to get to Perth in season to superintend the Sunday-school myself. The eyes of the little ones fairly sparkled with joy. Mrs. Hayes was with me, and she talked and sang to the children and invited the older people to meet her there on Wednesday and help clean the church. We hope that this practical effort will result in increased interest among the women at least.

"Since the report of our work was published in the August *Home Missionary*, we have received many letters of sympathy and encouragement from different parts of the country. Such messages help wonderfully."

LATER.—Mr. W——, of Illinois, who is "nearly blind," "nearly deaf," and eighty-six years old, while his granddaughter was reading aloud to him *The Home Missionary* for August, became so much interested in Rev. James Hayes's story of our Coal Mine Mission that he at once sent this "Missionary Miner" one hundred dollars for his work, giving him the privilege of designating the same. Mr. Hayes has used fifty dollars for his new Reading Room, and placed the balance in the treasury of the A. H. M. S. for the general needs of the mission.

The building is about to be plastered and painted and in a few weeks will be ready for dedication.

THE NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY employs eighty-three missionaries in that State. The list of difficulties with which the missionary pastor on New England soil has to contend is not unfamiliar to the pioneer at the West: "Infidelity, greed of gain, worldliness of church-members, and rejection of the personal appeal to become Christians." The foreign work of this Society is among the French and Swedes.

By a unanimous vote of the N. H. Home Missionary Society, Rev. Alfred T. Hillman has been elected to the secretaryship.

Appointments in September, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Bailey, A. E., Prattville, Mich.
 Brooks, Willard Henry, Porter, Ind.
 Elliott, Mrs. Margaret R., Birnamwood, Wis.
 Fox, Frank, Strang, Shickley, and Bruning, Neb.
 Haskin, Spencer C., Clear Water, Neb.
 Hibbard, Fred J., Augustville, No. Dak.
 Hughes, Hugh X., Plymouth, Mo.
 Humphreys, John, Rhinelander, Wis.
 Johnson, Alfred K., Oceanside, So. Cal.
 Jones, R. G., Paynesville, Minn.
 Lane, Hosmer C., Melbourne and Malabar, Fla.
 Loffren, P. Johan, Sauk Rapids and St. Cloud, Minn.
 Lovejoy, George E., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Parker, F. W., Smyrna, Or.
 Peabody, Harry E., Trinidad, Colo.
 Price, F. M., Los Angeles, Cal.
 Ross, Albion H., Omaha, Neb.
 Schaeffe, J. M., Los Angeles, Cal.
 Stevenson, W. C., McCook, Neb.
 Thomson, Alexander, Washburn, Wis.
 Tomes, Isaac N., Lake Station, Ind.
 Ward, Mrs. Sarah F., Lesterville, So. Dak.
 Wetherby, Seborn, Spio and Clio, Ala.

Re-commissioned.

Anderson, George P., Sturgeon Bay, Wis.
 Atkinson, William H., Lake Park, Wash.
 Baird, L. O., Pullman and Ewartsville, Wash.
 Blackwell, William, Sleepy Eye, Minn.
 Bonsey, Samuel D., Mound City, So. Dak.
 Bramley, John, Red Cliff and Gilman, Colo.
 Burnett, Daniel Emery, Clay Center, Kan.
 Clayton, John B., Afton and Sappington, Mo.

Crowell, Preston R., Cheyenne, Wyo.
 Dickinson, Samuel F., Grand Junction, Colo.
 Dungan, George, Otis and Hyde, Colo.
 Dunsmore, H. Charles, Kalamazoo and Mattawan, Mich.
 Ford, Lorenzo M., Barelax, New Mex.
 Griffith, Henry, Willow Valley and Brunswick, Neb.
 Gunn, Joseph W., Steamboat Springs, Colo.
 Hawn, Robert G., West Kittitas and Big Creek, Wash.
 Heywood, James William, Waterville and Morristown, Minn.
 Holcombe, Horace A., Hammond, Ind.
 Huntley, Sanford F., Alexandria and Bard, So. Dak.
 Jones, Samuel J., Carroll, Neb.
 Markham, Reuben F., Kirwin, Kan.
 Martin, John L., Tyler, Minn.
 Meske, F. L., New Ulm, Minn.
 Milligan, John A., Wymore, Neb.
 Murphy, Thomas F., Cumberland, Wis.
 Nelson, G. W., Gen'l Miss'y in No. Wis.
 Owens, Mijamin James, White Bay Springs, Friendship, and New Prospect, La.
 Parker, J. H., Gen'l Miss'y in Oklahoma.
 Phillips, Charles H., Cummings and Buxton, No. Dak.
 Read, Eugene B., Riverside and Colona School House, Colo.
 Routliffe, Charles Henry, Hancock and Lake Emily, Minn.
 Stickney, Francis M., Dixon and Liberty, Mo.
 Staver, Daniel, Gen'l Miss'y in Western and So. Oregon.
 Thomson, Robert John, Baltimore, Md.
 Wright, Reuben B., Denver, Colo.

Receipts in September, 1891.

MAINE—\$33.33

Gorham, First, by Joseph Ridlon..... \$28 93
 Portland, Miss S. M. N. Cummings..... 4 40

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$240.00.

Concord, J. N. J..... 50 00
 Deerfield, Ch., by Rev. O. M. Lord, to const. Rev. O. M. Lord a L. M..... 50 00
 Exeter, A Thank-offering..... 25 00
 Goffstown, Miss Mary A. Hadley, to const. herself a L. M..... 50 00
 Lyme, to const. Mrs. Erastus Converse a L. M..... 50 00
 Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss C. A. Whittemore, special..... 15 00

VERMONT—\$123.03.

Received by T. M. Howard, Treas. Vt. Dom. Miss. Soc.:
 Townshend, Cong. S. S..... 4 50
 Benson, J. K..... 10 00
 Danville, Miss C. E. Bidwell..... 10 00
 East Hardwick, M. S. Stone..... 5 00
 Middlebury, Mrs. C. S. Burditt, to const. herself a L. M..... 50 00
 Milton, Miss B. C. Doherty..... 1 53
 Montpelier, George W. Scott..... 25 00
 Randolph, Mrs. Jesse Carter..... 2 00
 Vergennes, by A. Ross..... 15 00

MASSACHUSETTS—\$10,589.63; of which Legacies, \$1,540.00.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc. by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas..... \$2,500 00
 For work among foreigners in the West..... 4,500 00
 By request of donors:
 Cash..... \$8 57
 Toward tent for Rev. L. P. Broad..... 40 00
 For work among foreigners.. 5 00

Woman's H. Miss. Assoc., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.:
 For Salary Fund..... 100 00

Allston, by A. C. Farley..... 55 00
 Amherst, "Homeland Circle," by Miss Miriam M. Smith, special..... 40 00
 Arlington, "L," special..... 42

Boston, Tuft's Marsh Lot, by Rev. E. B. Palmer..... 120 00
 By Prof. R. A. Jernberg..... 15 00
 Concord, by Prof. R. A. Jernberg..... 3 00
 Islington, Rev. W. F. Bickford..... 5 00
 Leominster, Cong. Ch., interest on Woodbury Fund, by A. O. Wilder... 120 00
 Lexington, Mrs. C. A. Goodwin, freight 1 00
 Melrose Highlands, Mrs. H. G. Barber. 20 00

Monson, E. F. Morris.....	\$150 00	NEW YORK—\$12,201.27; of which Legacies, \$11,762.00.	
Northampton, Dorcas Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. J. H. Searle, for Salary Fund.....	75 00	Received by Rev. E. Curtis:	
North Brookfield, First Ch., A Friend.....	10 00	Osceola, by Rev. L. Jones.....	\$5 00
Pittsfield, First Ch., A Friend.....	10 00	Rochester, by Rev. L. Jones....	3 50
Two Friends, for work in Oregon.....	4 00	Utica, Plymouth Ch.....	18 71
Quincy, A Friend of Missions.....	2 00		\$27 21
Salem, Legacy of Miss Eunice E. Tuttle, by R. C. Manning, Ex., through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.....	500 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, Treas.....	\$10 00
Sheffield, by A. T. Wakefield.....	12 64	Chenango Forks, Mrs. E. Holister, deceased.....	2 25
So. Franklin, S. D. Hunt.....	1 00	Fairport, Miss C. Baker, to const. Mrs. E. B. Wygant a L. M.....	50 00
Springfield, Legacy of Thomas K. Baker, by C. H. Barrows.....	1,040 00	Honeoye, Y. P. S. C. E., for Salary Fund.....	24 00
O. F. Swift.....	2 00		86 25
A Friend.....	1,000 00		
Worcester, A Friend, special.....	200 00		
RHODE ISLAND—\$51.00; of which Legacy, \$50.00.		Angola, Miss A. H. Ames, toward a L. Mp.....	7 00
Newport, "Pax," toward the Million..	1 00	Brooklyn, Legacy of Mrs. Harriet M. Remington, \$2,000; and supplementary gift from her estate, \$1,000, by G. H. Nichols, Ex.....	3,000 00
Providence, Bequest of Mrs. Anna Torrey, by M. E. Torrey.....	50 00	Puritan Ch, by E. Nash.....	11 28
CONNECTICUT—\$3,913.88; of which Legacy, \$1,000.00.		A Friend.....	20 00
Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.....	60 00	Central New York, A Friend.....	15 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. Jacobs, Treas.:		Columbus, Ch., \$10; S. S., \$4, by Rev. F. B. Doane.....	14 00
For Salary Fund.....	\$165 00	East Bloomfield, by F. Munson.....	20 95
Bridgeport, Ladies' Union Park Street Ch., by Mrs. C. K. Bishop, for Salary Fund....	34 88	Massena, Mrs. S. A. Worden.....	4 40
	199 88	Miller's Place, Mt. Sinai Ch., Mon. Con. Coll., by S. J. Hopkins, toward a L. Mp.....	17 43
Bridgeport, by Prof. R. A. Jernberg... South Cong. S. S., by L. B. Silliman..	1 05 50 00	Nineveh, On account of residuary Legacy of Mrs. Mary B. Lovejoy, by Charles S. Smith, Ex.....	8,762 00
Brooklyn, Specific Legacy of Mary E. Ensworth, by P. B. Sibley, Ex.....	1,000 00	Norwich, Of which, \$36.53, special, by Rev. W. H. Scudder.....	136 53
Brookfield Center, by A. Somers.....	35 60	Portville, Mrs. A. M. Nichols.....	4 40
Canaan, A Friend.....	3 00	Pulaski, by G. L. Sherwood.....	7 60
Connecticut, A Friend.....	10 00	Schenectady, by Rev. J. H. Munsell... Warsaw, by F. W. Relyea.....	50 00 17 20
Ellington, \$243.16; Somersville, \$14.55, by E. C. Chapman.....	257 71	NEW JERSEY—\$140.52.	
Goshen, Mrs. Moses Lyman.....	10 00	Woman's H. M. Union, of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.:	
Greenwich, Second, by L. P. Hubbard..	153 41	Montclair, for Salary Fund.....	137 50
Second, Mrs. E. M. Anderson.....	100 00	Warrenville, by Rev. S. G. Griess.....	3 02
Stillson Benev. Soc. of Second Ch., by Miss K. M. Mead, to const. Mrs. J. W. Bain, Mrs. W. B. Husted, Mrs. H. Ferris, Mrs. W. H. Howard, Jr., Mrs. F. E. Bertine, Mrs. W. S. Lyon, and Miss E. Ray L. Ms. Miriam F. and Helen A. Choate, special.....	500 00 5 00	PENNSYLVANIA—\$121.37.	
Gulford, First, by E. W. Leete, to const. Miss Hattie R. Norton a L. M..	50 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. T. W. Jones, Treas.:	
Hartford, Wethersfield Avenue Ch., by H. S. Forbes.....	15 56	Cambridgeboro.....	\$10 00
By Prof. R. A. Jernberg.....	2 00	Ridgway.....	5 00
A Friend.....	1,000 00		15 00
Mite.....	1 00	Allegheny, Y. P. S. C. E. of the First, by Rev. S. W. McCorkle.....	27 00
Kent, A Friend.....	2 00	Blue Ridge Summit, Mrs. M. R. Hawley.....	44 00
Lebanon, Three Friends.....	30 00	Horatio, by T. Y. Evans.....	6 00
Middlefield, L. A. Mills.....	100 00	Meadville, Park Avenue Ch., by J. T. Stern.....	15 71
Mt. Carmel, by A. E. Woodruff.....	34 35	Philadelphia, by Prof. R. A. Jernberg..	5 00
New Haven, Dr. R. Crane.....	10 00	Spring Creek and West Spring Creek, by Rev. G. W. Moore.....	5 54
Newington, by H. M. Robbins.....	49 46	Wilkes Barre, Puritan Ch., by J. Bailey	3 12
Salisbury, A Lady.....	1 00	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$25.00.	
Southport, by R. W. P. Bulkley, to const. Mrs. B. F. Bulkley and J. Olsen L. Ms.....	140 93	Washington, Ladies' H. M. Soc. of the First, by L. Patterson, for Salary Fund.....	25 00
Stamford, Dea. G. Davenport.....	2 00	ARKANSAS—\$5.00.	
Stonington, First, by B. F. Williams....	15 00	Rogers, by Rev. J. G. Bailey.....	5 00
Stratford, Ch., of which \$10, from Oronoque Mon. Con., by Mrs. S. A. Talbot, in full, to const. Mrs. Jennie S. Lewis a L. M.....	48 63		
Terryville, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Gaylord..	26 25		

FLORIDA—\$11.61.

St. Petersburg, by Rev. G. W. Hardaway..... \$11 61

TEXAS—\$10.00.

Denison, by Rev. L. W. Hicks 10 00

OKLAHOMA—\$1.50.

Perkins, by Rev. C. W. Snyder..... 1 50

NEW MEXICO—\$20.00.

Received by Rev. E. Lyman Hood:
Deming..... \$2 50
Grants..... 1 55
Holbrook..... 1 25
Lamy..... 1 15
Winslow..... 1 05
7 50

Albuquerque, by Rev. A. B. Cristy..... 12 50

TENNESSEE—\$20.00.

Nashville, Fisk University, by E. C. Stickel..... 20 00

OHIO—\$170.00.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:
Andover, by Rev. A. H. Chittenden..... \$17 00
Austinburgh, L. J. Deming, in part, to const. Lucas A. Deming a L. M..... 25 00
Chardon, by Rev. T. D. Phillips..... 12 40
Columbus, Eastwood, by Henry A. Williams..... 9 30
Croton, Mrs. H. Dobbyn..... 10 00
Maryville, Bal. to const. Rev. J. A. Thorne a L. M..... 10 00
Ruggles, by John Innes, of which \$7.50 for Frontier..... 54 00
137 70

Received by S. P. Churchill, Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:
Cleveland, Jennings Avenue Ch., by S. W. Sessions..... 25 00
New London, by Rev. J. M. Trifitt..... 5 30
Windham, T. Wales..... 2 00

INDIANA—\$20.85.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis, D.D.:
Amboy..... \$6 58
Anderson, by W. C. Gordon.... 5 00
11 58
Marion, by Rev. T. R. Quayle..... 5 00
Westchester and Pennville, by Rev. E. L. Brooks..... 4 27

ILLINOIS—\$1,437.50; of which Legacies, \$1,000.35.

Illinois Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. J. Tompkins, D.D., Sec.:
For Salary Fund..... 200 00
Chicago, Union Park Ch., Mrs. L. R. Tilton, to const. herself a L. M..... 50 00
O. B. Green..... 150 00
Prof. R. A. Jernberg..... 5 00
Galva, On account of Legacy of John F. Hyde, by B. S. Eldredge, Ex..... 1,000 06
Illinois, A Friend, by Rev. A. Kern.... 2 50
Payson, D. E. Robbins..... 4 63
Remainder of Legacy of Mrs. Mary A. P. Robbins, by D. E. Robbins, Ex..... 35

Polo, Ind. Presb. Ch., by Mrs. A. Wilber..... \$10 00
Ridge Prairie, Evan. St. John Ch., by I. Neumann..... 15 00

MISSOURI—\$18.00.

Received by Rev. G. Marsh:
St. Clair..... \$5 00
St. Louis, Union Ch..... 1 30
Mr. and Mrs. G. Marsh..... 3 70
10 00

Dixon and Liberty, by Rev. F. M. Stickney..... 2 50
St. Clair, by Rev. A. H. Rogers..... 50
Springfield, by Rev. C. A. Jertberg.... 5 00

MICHIGAN—\$1,164.65.

Received by Rev. L. Warren, D.D.:
Alquis..... \$500 00
Chippewa Lake..... 1 88
Eaton Rapids..... 35 00
Leonidas..... 15 00
Occasional..... 1 00
Perry..... 4 23
Pierport, C. W. Perry..... 10 00
Tyrone..... 3 98
571 09

Received by Rev. J. Martin:
Alba..... \$9 15
Bay Mills..... 7 02
Excelsior..... 66
Garden..... 1 98
Gladstone..... 6 50
Grape..... 4 77
Hay Lake..... 65
Jerome..... 1 40
Kalkaska..... 2 01
Lickley's Corners..... 2 80
Maybee..... 3 11
North Adams..... 8 89
Pine Grove..... 5 19
Prattville..... 6 37
Rapid River..... 2 50
Rosedale..... 4 74
Seney..... 3 00
Sugar Island..... 50
Vanderbilt..... 3 29
Wolverine..... 5 26
Mrs. D. Kennebrook..... 1 00
Miss R. B. La Fever..... 5 00
85 79

Received by Rev. C. F. Van Auker:
Alpena..... \$30 00
Ironton..... 17 00
Minden City..... 4 60
Port Huron..... 25 00
76 60

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Treas., received in August:
Allegan..... \$12 80
Breckenridge..... 2 81
Cadillac, special..... 5 00
Detroit, Ladies' Union, First Ch..... 50 00
Fredonia..... 4 50
Greenville, Mrs. R. L. Ellsworth..... 10 00
W. H. M. S..... 6 60
Marshall, Mrs. Dr. Gallup..... 2 00
Michigan Center, Mrs. Stewart..... 20
Pontiac..... 6 50
St. Johns..... 5 00
Three Oaks..... 30 60
Victor..... 4 50
\$140 81

Young People's North Star Mis-

tion:	
Benton Harbor, Mission Band	\$1 20
Calumet, Helping Hand Soc.	50 00
East Saginaw, Y. L. M. C.	25 00
Maple City, Y. P. S. C. E.	3 00
Tyrone, W. H. M. S.,	\$4.16;
Y. P. S. C. E.,	\$1.05; S. S.,
on Children's Day,	\$2.79.... 10 00
Union City, Y. P. S. C. E.	8 56

\$97 76 \$283 57

Chesaning, by Rev. W. H. Millar	5 00
Coral and Howard City, by Rev. W. A. Elliott	15 75
Croton, \$1.50; Big Prairie, \$1, by Rev. R. Vivian	2 50
Custer and Tallman, by Rev. P. M. Crips	5 00
Detroit, by Rev. E. G. L. Mannhardt	2 00
Farwell, by W. H. Martin	21 00
By Rev. M. W. Williams	21 00
Flint, Cong. S. S., by Mrs. M. S. Keeney	1 87
Hancock, \$10; Lake Linden, \$35.48, by Rev. F. E. Bigelow	75 48
Kalamo, by Rev. R. H. Watson	1 00
Laingsburg, by Rev. J. V. D. Wyckoff	9 00
Lake Linden, by Rev. M. E. Evers	10 00
Muskegon, by Rev. J. F. Kellogg	18 00
Rosedale and Hay Lake, by Rev. W. Childs	5 00

WISCONSIN—\$8.37.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Treas.:	
Whitewater, First, for Bohemian work in Wis.	5 25

Amery, 62c., G. W. Nelson, \$2.50, by Rev. G. W. Nelson	3 12
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IOWA—\$31.00.

Jefferson, Rev. D. B. Eells	10 00
McGregor, J. H. Ellsworth	15 00
Sioux City, by Rev. F. Egerland	5 00
Wells, Mrs. I. W. Brounell	1 00

MINNESOTA—\$797.35.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley:

Brownton	\$2 50
Campbell	2 65
Douglass	1 28
Hubbard	1 10
Janesville	2 04
Minneapolis, Rev. H. L. Chase	5 00
Rev. C. F. Reed	1 50
First Scand. Ch.	4 63
Plymouth	78 11
Union Ladies' Soc., \$64.67; Birthday Box, \$12.24; Mission Band, \$5; Mrs. Hay's class, \$4.20; Mrs. Thompson's class, \$1.	87 11
McPherson	2 49
Mankato	13 15
Marshall	11 00
North Branch	8 00
Park Rapids	5 00
St. Paul, Plymouth	17 11
Silver Lake	142 43
Sunrise	3 00
Verndale	5 20
Waterville	5 00
Wauasca	10 00
Zumbro Falls	5 00

\$413 30

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M.

W. Skinner, Treas.:	
Austin	\$5 85
Minneapolis, Silver Lake S. S., \$1.98; C. E. S., 78c.	2 76
Lowry Hill	14 00
Open Door	4 34
Park Avenue	115 00
Lyndale	10 00
Plymouth	56 91
Fifth Avenue	9 56
Northfield, to make Mrs. M. E. Nourse a L. M.	50 00

\$263 42 \$651 72

Anoka, Bethel Ch., Ladies' Sew. Circle, by Rev. A. P. Sjodahl	33 71
Buffalo, by Rev. K. A. Isakson	1 50
Detroit, S. S., by H. Jager	67
Egerton, by Rev. E. Carter	5 00
Fairmont, First, \$6.61; Center Chain, \$2.79, by A. G. Crooker	9 40
Madison, by Rev. F. C. Emerson	6 13
Minneapolis, by Rev. K. F. Norris	4 30
A Friend	60
Northfield, Extra-cent-a-day Band, by Rev. Prof. A. L. Pearson	40 00
Winthrop, Mission Band, by Rev. H. B. Harrison	1 00
Worthington, Union Cong. Ch., by M. A. Nichols	13 32

KANSAS—\$114.10.

Brookville, by Rev. S. Wood	4
Emporia, Second Welsh Ch., by R. D. Thomas	10
Hill City, Lenora, and Edmond, by Rev. G. J. Buck	3 97
Sabetha, by Rev. A. C. Hogbin, to const. G. A. Guild a L. M.	57 80
Village Creek, by Rev. L. V. Slason	9 48
White Cloud, by Rev. W. C. Veazie	28 35

[ERRATUM: In the October number, "\$11.88, Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. L. R. Vernon," should have been credited as follows:

Hutchinson	\$4 20
St. Francis	6 70
Smith Center	19 72
Wichita, Olivet Ch.	11 26

\$41 88

NEBRASKA—\$60.71.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:

Curtis, S. S.	\$175
Grafton	2 00
	\$3 75

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D.

B. Perry, Treas.:	
Bertrand	\$3 50
Campbell	3 00
Juvenile, for Child. Miss.	5 00
Exeter, Juniors	4 50
Flagg Butte	4 36
Irrington	12 50
Lincoln, Vine Street	1 75
Omaha, St. Mary's Avenue, Miss. Band, for Child. Miss.	5 00
Syracuse	10 00
S. S., for Child. Miss.	5 00

\$54 61

58 36

NORTH DAKOTA—\$68.33.

Received by Rev. H. C. Simmons:

Argusville	\$2 36
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Gardner.....	\$2 00	
Jamestown.....	17 50	
Melville.....	2 36	
Rose Valley.....	1 50	
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M. Fisher, Treas.:		
Cooperstown.....	\$4 00	
Lisbon.....	5 60	
Wahpeton, Y. L. M. S.....	14 00	
	<hr/>	23 60
Dickinson, by Rev. L. E. Brown.....	2 50	
Getchell, by Rev. E. W. Stoddard.....	3 00	
New England City, by Rev. A. H. Keene.....	5 00	
Valley City, by W. Craswell.....	8 51	

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$23.07.

Received by Rev. D. R. Tomlin:		
Reidfield College, Philadelphia Soc.	\$2 13	
Rev. D. R. Tomlin.....	10 00	
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Received by Rev. P. Hitchcock:		
Erwin.....	\$2 29	
Letcher.....	1 67	
P. Hitchcock.....	5 00	
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Treas.:		
Custer City.....	\$4 00	
De Smet.....	7 00	
Elk Point.....	2 17	
Huron.....	15 00	
Iroquois, "Young Helpers".....	2 00	
Lake Preston.....	1 10	
Mitchell, "Mission Band".....	5 00	
Oahe Agency, Shiloh Ch.....	3 00	
Redfield.....	5 34	
Santee Agency, Pilgrim Ch.....	3 00	
Sioux Falls, W. M. S.....	11 09	
"King's Daughters".....	1 84	
Yankton.....	11 64	
Young People's Miss. Band.....	3 00	
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Carthage, Esmond, and Hanchett, by Rev. J. Q. Swinn.....	10 00	
Frankfort and Turton, by Rev. J. Trueblood.....	2 80	
Lesterville, by Mrs. S. F. Ward.....	1 60	
Powell, by Rev. J. T. Lewis.....	2 00	
Redfield, by Rev. W. H. Thrall.....	10 40	

MONTANA—\$75.38.

General Assoc. of Montana, Rev. F. D. Kelsey, Registrar.....	74 43	
Horr, by Rev. W. S. Bell.....	95	

IDAHO—\$11.50.

Boise City, by Rev. S. Rose.....	11 50	
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CALIFORNIA—\$73.60.

Avalon, by Rev. G. Morris.....	10 00	
Buena Vista, by Rev. J. H. Harwood, D. D.....	2 50	
Clayton, by Rev. E. D. Hale.....	6 00	
Compton, by Rev. E. H. Bickford.....	20 10	
Los Guilicos, by Rev. I. F. Tobey.....	5 00	
National City, by Rev. E. D. Weage.....	25 00	
Oceanside, by Rev. A. K. Johnson.....	10 00	

OREGON—\$135.20.

Received by Rev. C. F. Clapp:		
Ethel.....	\$0 43	

Oregon City, Mr. Livermore, \$7.50; C. H. Curtis, \$5.....	\$7 50	
Wayne.....	90	
	<hr/>	\$8 40

Received by F. McKercher, Treas.:		
Of which, \$134.70, balance of Salem Fund.....	167 29	
Beaverton and Finney, by Rev. J. W. Eldredge.....	1 00	
Hillsboro, \$1.50; Carrington, \$1.82; Melville, \$1.89, by Rev. E. H. Stickney.....	5 21	
By Rev. D. Staver.....	2 85	

WASHINGTON—\$105.25.

Anacortes, W. J. Hagadorn, \$48.90; Fidalgo City, \$11.14; Rosario, \$1.60, by Rev. H. J. Taylor.....	61 60	
Christopher, by Rev. R. Bushell.....	2 40	
Dayton, by Rev. S. B. L. Penrose.....	12 50	
Tacoma, by Rev. L. P. Paulson.....	4 50	
Uniontown, by Rev. T. W. Walters.....	2 60	
Whatcom, by Rev. J. V. Dimon.....	21 65	

HOME MISSIONARY.....	139 45	
	<hr/>	\$32,066 45

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Barrington, R. I., Mr. L. B. Kendall, sewing machine and books.....		
Boscawen, N. H., Mrs. Mary C. Merrill, by Mr. George Little, box of books.....		
Bridgeport, Ct., Sewing Soc of South Ch., by Miss Caroline J. Calef, barrel.....	\$123 33	
Bridgewater, N. Y., Woman's Miss. Soc., by Mrs. D. S. Wood, box and freight.....	56 75	
Cambria, N. Y., Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Miss Mary Whitwell, barrel.....		
Dover, N. H., by Mrs. A. A. Fairbanks, barrel.....		
Lexington, Mass., Mrs. C. E. Goodman, barrel of books.....		
Terryville, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. W. H. Scott, cash.....	50 00	
Westerly, R. I., Rev. H. L. Kelsey, three boxes of books.....		
Whigville, Ct., Clara M. Beach, package.....		

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from August 20 to September 20, 1891.
T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Arlington, East.....	\$10 00	
Bennington, North.....	21 00	
Berkshire, East.....	13 00	
Cabot.....	33 35	
Duxbury, South.....	2 75	
Gaysville.....	8 00	
Hubbardton, A Friend.....	5 00	
Island Pond, Supply.....	10 00	
Jeffersonville.....	7 35	
Lyndon, First.....	13 00	
Marlboro.....	6 76	
Middlebury.....	100 40	
Peacham.....	43 70	
Post Mills, Ladies, for Lady Evangelists.....	5 00	
Rutland.....	100 00	
St. Johnsbury, South Ch.....	78 96	
South Hero and Grand Isle, special, add'l.....	1 00	
Sunderland.....	2 00	

Underhill, Mrs. J. Woodruff.....	\$1 00
Wardsboro, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 00
Waterbury.....	8 00
Waterville.....	3 50
Woodbury, South, for Lady Evangelists.....	9 00
Woodstock.....	29 90
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	3 75

Woman's H. M. U., Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Dorset, Mrs. Homer Johnson.....	\$5 00
Northfield, Mass., Miss S. A. White.....	2 00
Woman's H. M. Union, balance of pledge for last year.....	133 95

140 95

\$658 31

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in September. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treas.

Amherst, North, In memoriam, Mrs. E. S. J., by Rev. George H. Johnson.....	\$25 00
South, by Rev. H. W. Boyd.....	10 00
Barnstable, West, by George S. Fish.....	15 00
Benford, by H. A. Gleason.....	20 00
Beverly, Dane St., by Henry Woodbury.....	232 67
Washington St., Two ladies, by Rev. W. E. Strong.....	8 00
Boston, A Friend, "for a Home Missionary's salary".....	5 00
Allston, Sewall, Rev. J. L.....	5 00
Boylston, E. P.....	5 00
Dorchester, Second, S. S., by Miss E. L. Tolman, for A. H. M. S.....	8 57
Proctor, Mary I., Estate of, bequest and interest, by Harvey N. Shepard, Trustee.....	2,090 00
Roxbury, Eliot, Hamilton, Rev. Dr. B. F.....	20 00
McLean, Alpine.....	25 00
South, Phillips, Simonds, Mrs. Alvan.....	25 00
Special, for Dakota Pioneer, Mrs. A. Simonds.....	50
Braintree, First, Ladies' H. M. Society, by Miss Sarah H. Thayer, to const. H. Tarida Winkfield a L. M.....	30 00
South, by H. B. Whitman.....	12 00
Cambridge, North Avenue, by P. Hubbard, to const. Rev. Frank Hyatt Smith a L. M. of A. H. M. S. and M. H. M. S.....	279 84
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs. L. E. Case, to const. Mrs. Sarah H. Dow a L. M.....	30 00
Carver, North, by Rev. N. Lincoln.....	11 00
Concord, Trin., by Thomas Todd.....	29 21
Gilmanton, N. H., Hidden, Mary E.....	10 00
Fitchburg, Rollstone, by W. E. Clifford.....	125 00
Groveland, Perry, Y. P. S. C. E., by Harriette A. Parker.....	5 60
Hale, E. J. M., Fund, Income of.....	20 00
Hampden Benev. Assoc., by Chas. Marsh, Treas.:	
Granville, West.....	\$10 00
Monson.....	29 69
South Hadley Falls.....	25 76
West Springfield, Mittineague.....	26 25

91 70

Hinsdale, by C. J. Kittredge.....	7 91
Holbrook, Winthrop, by F. E. Diman.....	18 17
Hyde Park, First, by F. D. Freeman, of which \$30 from "M. E. T.".....	65 92
Lakeville, by Miss Mary Toby.....	3 20
Lynnfield, South, by Rev. H. L. Brackett.....	5 00
Medford, Mystic, by Francis H. Kidder.....	113 52
S. S., by E. A. Grout.....	25 00

Medway Village, by Rev. R. K. Harlow, in part.....	\$50 00
Methuen, First Parish, by Jacob Emerson.....	40 91
Middleton, by C. P. Stiles.....	16 51
Monson, Porter, Mary S., Estate of, by E. F. Morris, Trustee, on account.....	1,000 00
Natick, First, S. S., by R. E. Bowers, toward tent for Rev. L. P. Broad, Kansas, and to const. Warren C. Travis a L. M.....	40 00
Newbury, First, Ladies' H. M. Society, by Miss A. M. B. Little.....	22 00
New Marlboro, by Rev. A. W. Field.....	2 00
Peabody, South, by Benj. N. Moore.....	10 50
Pepperell, Evan., by Chas. Crosby.....	5 26
Petersham, by Rev. Roswell Foster.....	27 50
Plainfield, by Rev. J. A. Woodhull.....	16 69
Plympton, North, Miss. Circle, by Mary E. Ripley, for work among foreigners.....	5 00
Quincy, Mon. concert, by C. W. Carter.....	10 00
Rochester, North, by George Randall.....	3 14
Salem, by Rev. D. S. Clark, for French paper.....	2 00
Three Cong. churches, Union service, by Rev. D. S. Clark.....	32 16
Southboro, by Lucy S. Newton.....	25 35
Springfield, Park, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Luther Gulick, toward work of Rev. James Hayes, Coal Bluff, Ind.....	8 50
Templeton, Estate of Elizabeth D. Shattuck, on account.....	358 90
Walpole, Second, by S. E. Bentley.....	40 00
Waltham, Trin., by T. W. Temple.....	67 12
Wellesley, by H. H. Brown.....	72 16
Wellfleet, Second, by Winslow Paine.....	10 00
Westboro, A life member.....	2 00
Worcester, Plymouth, by E. W. Warren, with previous gift, to const. P. G. Kent, Frank E. Stimpson, and William F. Crosby L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	81 22
Union, by S. Newton.....	253 21

\$5,579 97

HOME MISSIONARY..... 1 20

\$5,581 17

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in September. Miss NATHALIE LORD, Home Secretary.

Braintree, Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Parish, by Miss Sarah H. Thayer, two barrels.....	\$100 00
Hopkinton, by Mrs. Sarah B. Crooks, barrel.....	40 00
Westboro, Ladies' Sew. Circle, by Emily W. Newcomb, freight, \$3.46; barrel, \$122.74.....	128 20
Monson, Ladies, for purchase of Gospel Hymns, No. 5, by Mrs. J. Tufts.....	10 00

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in September, 1891. WARD W. JACOBS, Treas.

Bridgewater, A Friend.....	\$2 00
Burlington, by Samuel Russell.....	10 00
Canton, Collinsville, First, by J. S. Heath.....	100 00
Chatham, Cobalt, "Mission Band," 3cts. a week.....	\$8 25
By C. D. Crosby.....	6 75
Colchester, First, by S. E. Swift, M.D., Treas. Benevolent Fund, to const. Miss	15 00

Caroline L. Swift and Miss Lillias H. Baker, both of Colchester, L. Ms.	\$109 56
Fairfield, Southport, by R. W. D. Bulkley	151 93
Farmington, Unionville, by J. P. Chamberlin, for A. H. M. S.	69 00
Greenwich, Second, by L. P. Hubbard	60 44
New Canaan, by H. B. Rogers	45 20
New Milford, First, by C. H. Noble, add'l.	2 10
North Stamford, by William B. Weed	7 00
Plymouth, First, by Frank M. Blakeslee	30 00
Thomaston, by P. Darrow	8 36
Union, by Roscius Back	8 10
Windham, by William Swift	6 59
	\$616 38

Earl B. Fisher	\$5 00
Woodburn, Rev. Charles Slater and wife	2 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Treas.:	
Chicago, Lincoln Park	\$10 00
Elgin, First	12 50
Metropolis	3 10
Plano, S. S.	6 54
Rockford, First	10 00
Second	118 63
Victoria	6 70
	167 42
Bequest Miss Mary V. Skillman, per Mrs. Kate L. Parkhurst, Danvers, Ex-ecutrix	200 00
A Friend	27 63
	\$1,095 57

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in July, 1891. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Atkinson	\$7 56
Big Rock	4 00
Chicago, New England Ch.	134 32
Crete, Rev. and Mrs. Porter	2 00
Dundee, C. H. Rover	5 00
Evansston, S. S.	11 67
Farmington	43 09
Granville, Y. P. S. C. E.	15 00
Griggsville, S. S.	16 45
Hennepin	5 50
Highland, Rev. L. E. Jesseph	10 00
Huntley, Rev. E. F. Wright	10 00
Paxton, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shaw, to purchase Gospel Tabernacle	251 00
Riley, Rev. S. D. Horine	1 00
Rollo	11 50
Springfield, First	18 05
Second	6 14
Sycamore, Pledge Signer	25 00
D. A. Syme	100 00
Western Springs, of which S. S., \$3.75	8 75
Yorkville, S. S.	8 00
Rev. W. A. Colledge	10 00
A Friend	30 00
Cash	70 00
A Friend	54 04
Rev. C. F. Read, Chicago	1 50
	\$859 57

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in August, 1891. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Alton	\$18 15
Atkinson, Rev. W. H. Chandler and wife	10 00
Big Rock	3 35
Bloomington	15 50
Chicago, First, A. B. Mead	100 00
Rev. H. S. Harrison	25 00
Mrs. Salsonstall	1 00
Lincoln Park, of which Y. P. Miss. Soc., \$75	80 06
South Ch., Ladies' Soc.	25 00
Millard Ave., G. S. Needham	10 00
Chillicothe	39 05
Dallas	3 00
Dundee	18 62
Emington	11 00
Garden Prairie	5 00
Lawn Ridge, of which A Friend, \$10	17 84
Lyndon	47 45
Princeton, Mrs. Rufus Carey	100 00
Mrs. S. C. Clapp	100 00
Sandoval	3 25
Springfield, Second	5 50
Spring Valley	11 25
Wheaton, First	33 45

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in August, 1891. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Ames	\$54 80
Avoca	2 00
Center Point	2 00
Cresco	20 00
Creston, First Cong. Ch.	12 59
Dinsdale	8 43
Eldon	8 30
Hinton	4 00
Humboldt	12 80
Kalo	11 72
Madison Co., First Ch.	2 24
Prairie Bell	6 15
Storm Lake, S. S.	50
Rev. W. H. Atkinson, by Clear Lake Cong. Union	5 00
Algona, M. H. C.	10 00
Thank-offering	1,000 00
Grinnell, Rev. T. O. Douglass	5 00
Miles, Mrs. Edward Kimball	40 00
	Y. P. S. C. E.
Belle Plaine, Junior Society	3 00
Senior Society	1 75
Miles	3 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J.

Nicholson, Treas.:	
Clear Lake, W. M. S.	\$10 00
Cromwell, W. H. M. U.	11 50
College Springs	5 00
Clay, Y. P. S. C. E.	1 75
Cedar Rapids, L. M. S.	3 25
Eldora Coral Workers	5 00
Grinnell, W. H. M. U.	11 44
McGregor, W. M. S.	10 75
Magnolia, W. H. M. U.	1 50
Nora Springs	2 55
Ogden, L. M. S.	26 17
Willing Workers	19 15
Oakland, L. M. S.	3 00
Rockford, L. M. S.	2 65
	104 71
	\$1,318 02

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged	\$39,227 11
Connecticut, Bridgeport \$34.88; W. H. M. U., \$16	199 83
District of Columbia, Washington	25 00
Massachusetts, W. H. M. Assoc., \$100;	
Northampton, \$75	175 00
New Jersey, Montclair	137 50
New York, W. H. M. U.	24 00
	\$39,798 49

**TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS
OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1891, TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1891.**

	A.H.M.S	For Pastor's Salary.*		A.H.M.S	For Pastor's Salary.*
New Hampshire.....	\$49 50		Indiana.....	\$138 52	
Minnesota.....	1,863 04		Southern California.....	45 55	
Massachusetts.....	998 57		Vermont.....	995 95	
Rhode Island }.....			Colorado }.....	433 39	
Maine.....	1,399 17		Wyoming.....		
Michigan.....	1,291 97		Georgia.....	29 65	
Kansas.....	148 86		Alabama.....		
Ohio.....	433 50		Mississippi.....		
New York.....	1,074 36		Louisiana.....	1 00	
Wisconsin.....	136 57		Arkansas.....		
North Dakota.....	29 29		Kentucky.....		
Oregon.....	350 15	5 66	Tennessee.....		
Washington }.....	74 15		North Carolina.....		
Northern Idaho }.....			Texas.....		
South Dakota.....	118 56		Montana.....	58 50	
Connecticut.....	554 38		Pennsylvania.....	15 00	
Missouri.....	117 91		Oklahoma.....		
Illinois.....	839 64		New Jersey.....		
Iowa.....	1,623 43		Dist. Columbia.....	393 67	
California.....			Maryland.....		
Nebraska.....	540 54		Virginia.....		
Florida.....	223 25		Utah.....		
Total.....\$14,243 07					

* This column is to show amounts, as reported to the Woman's Dept., contributed by W. H. M. auxiliaries in struggling churches to help pay the pastor's salary, but not credited to any organization.

Woman's State H. M. Organizations.

OFFICERS.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

FEMALE ORPHAN INSTITUTION,

Organized August, 1804.

AND

HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.

Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.

Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2.

MINNESOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized September, 1872.

President, Miss Katherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.

Secretary, Miss Gertrude A. Keith, 1350 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis.

Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.*

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,

Organized February, 1880.

President, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.

Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

4.

MAINE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,

Organized June, 1880.

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.

Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 163 Hammond St., Bangor.

Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St. Bangor.

5.

MICHIGAN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1881.

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexandrine Ave., Detroit.

Secretary, Mrs. Leroy Warren, Olivet.

Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

6.

KANSAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1881.

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.

Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

7.

OHIO.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1882.

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St., Cleveland.

Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.

Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

8.

NEW YORK.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave. Brooklyn.

Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spaulding, 511 Orange Syracuse.

Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, 59 Bible House, New York City.

9.

WISCONSIN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 540 State St., Madison.

Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Jackson, 117 Washington St., Janesville.

Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

10.

NORTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized November, 1883.

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.
Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

11.

OREGON.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized July, 1884.

President, Mrs. John Sommersville, 147 First St., Portland.
Secretary, Mrs. H. J. Livermore, Oregon City.
Treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 Park St., Portland.

12.

WASHINGTON,
INCLUDING NORTHERN IDAHO.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,
Organized July, 1884.

Re-organized June, 1889.

President, Mrs. N. F. Cobleigh, Walla Walla.
Secretaries { Mrs. E. Wilcox, Spokane Falls, Eastern Washington.
Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 406 Tacoma Ave., Tacoma, Western Washington.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Abrams, Ellensburg.

13.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized September, 1884.

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbins, Bowdle.
Secretary, Miss Ida E. Willcutt, Willow Lake.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Lake Preston.

14.

CONNECTICUT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized January, 1885.

President, Mrs. Jacob A. Biddle, 35 West St., So. Norwalk.
Secretary, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New Britain.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St., Hartford.

15.

MISSOURI.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3541 Delmar Ave., St. Louis.
Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3855 Washington Ave., St. Louis.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St. Louis.

16.

ILLINOIS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. Isaac Claffin, Lombard.
Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington St., Chicago.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Champaign.

17.

IOWA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1886.

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.
Secretary, Miss Ella E. Marsh, Box 232, Grinnell.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St., Dubuque.

18.

CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
Organized October, 1887.

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 686 34th St., Oakland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. W. Eckley, 1021 Schilla St., Alameda.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St., Oakland.

19.

NEBRASKA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1887.

President, Mrs. T. H. Leavitt, 837 So. 13th St., Lincoln.
Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Smith, 716 High St., Beatrice.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Crete.

20.

FLORIDA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized February, 1888.

President, Mrs. S. F. Gale, Jacksonville.
Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Barrows, Winter Park.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Interlachen.

21.

INDIANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. E. C. Bell, 221 Christian Ave., Indianapolis.
Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Michigan City.

22.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. Emma Cash, 1710 Temple St., Los Angeles.
Secretary, Mrs. H. K. W. Bent, Box 442, Pasadena.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Spencer, 419 W. Second St., Los Angeles.

23.

VERMONT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. B. Swift, 167 King Street, Burlington.
Secretary, Mrs. M. K. Faine, Windsor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. P. Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury.

24.

COLORADO AND EASTERN WYOMING.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1888.

President, Mrs. J. W. Pickett, White Water, Colorado.
Secretary, Miss Mary L. Martin, 106 Platte Ave., Colorado Springs, Colorado.
Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.
For Wyoming, Mrs. W. L. Whipple, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

25.

GEORGIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. F. Sherrill, 236 West Peachtree St., Atlanta.
Secretary, Miss Willie Reynolds, Barnesville.
Treasurer, Miss Virginia Holmes, Barnesville.

26.

ALABAMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized March, 1878.

Re-organized April, 1889.
President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.
Secretary, Miss S. S. Evans, 2519 Third Ave., Birmingham.
Treasurer, Miss M. K. Lunt, Selma.

27.

MISSISSIPPI.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Sarah Dickey, Clinton.
Secretary, Miss Alice Flagg, Tougaloo.
Treasurer, Miss Mary Gibson, Tougaloo.

28.
LOUISIANA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Jennie Fyfe, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Secretary*, Miss Anna F. Condict, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. S. Shattuck, Amite City, 29.

ARKANSAS, KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE CENTRAL SOUTH ASSOCIATION,

Organized April, 1889.

President, Mrs. E. M. Cravath, Fisk University Nashville, Tenn.*Secretary*, Mrs. Anna Cahill Bennett, Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.*Treasurer*, Mrs. G. S. Pope, Harriman, Tenn. 30.

NORTH CAROLINA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized October, 1889.

President, Miss M. E. Wilcox, Beaufort.*Secretary*, Miss A. E. Farrington, Raleigh.*Treasurer*, Mrs. Geo. S. Smith, 116 W. South St. Raleigh.

31.

TEXAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized March, 1890.

President, Mrs. S. E. Acheson, 1219 W. Woodard St., Denison.*Secretary*, Mrs. M. A. McCoy, 190 No. Harwood St., Dallas.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Lock Box 220, Dallas.

32.

MONTANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1890.

President, Mrs. F. D. Kelsey, Helena.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. S. Bell, 410 Dearborn Ave. Helena.*Treasurer*, Mrs. S. A. Wallace, Billings. 33.

PENNSYLVANIA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. W. H. Osterhout, Ridgway.*Secretary*, Mrs. C. F. Yennie, Ridgway.*Treasurer*, Mrs. T. W. Jones, 218 So. 37th St. Philadelphia.

34.

OKLAHOMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1890.

President, Miss M. McConnell, Guthrie.*Secretary*, Mrs. L. E. Kimball, Guthrie.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. A. McNabb, Oklahoma City

35.

NEW JERSEY.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION OF THE

NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION, INCLUDING DIST.

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President, Mrs. J. R. D. Noyes, 163 Union St., Montclair.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. O. Weeden, Upper Montclair.*Treasurer*, Mrs. J. H. Denison, 150 Belleville Ave., Newark.

36.

UTAH.

INCLUDING SOUTHERN IDAHO AND WESTERN WYOMING.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1891.

President, Mrs. Lydia Tichenor Bailey, 2454 Adams Ave., Ogden, Utah*Secretary*, } Mrs. W. S. Hawkes, 132 Sixth St., E.
Treasurer, } Salt Lake City.

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3. If several months should elapse before the box is ready to be sent, ascertain from the Secretaries whether the missionary's address remains as previously given.
4. Mark the box plainly and indelibly, fasten it securely, and forward it to the missionary, not by express, but by a Forwarding Company, if practicable; otherwise as "fast freight," by railroad, taking two receipts from the Company.
5. Write to the missionary, inclosing one of these receipts, a list of the articles sent in the box and the money—\$2, \$3, or \$4, according to weight and distance—for the payment of freight (if it cannot be prepaid). Mention, also, the name of the person to whom a letter of acknowledgment should be addressed.
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7. If a box has been prepared, not for a specified family, but to be assigned by the Secretaries put into it a list of its contents, the name of the association or individual from whom it comes, and the address of the person to whom the missionary may send his letter of acknowledgment.
8. Mark the box, "American Home Missionary Society, Bible House, Astor Place, New York," adding the name of the place from which it comes.
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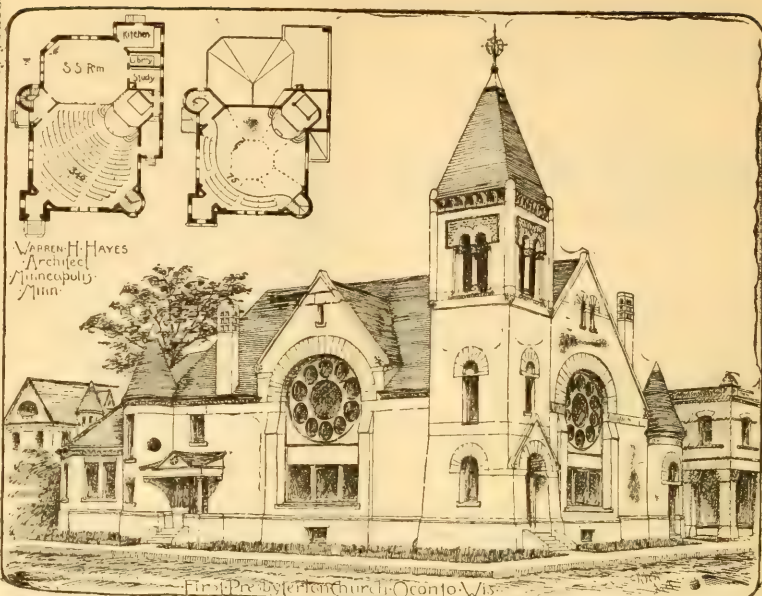


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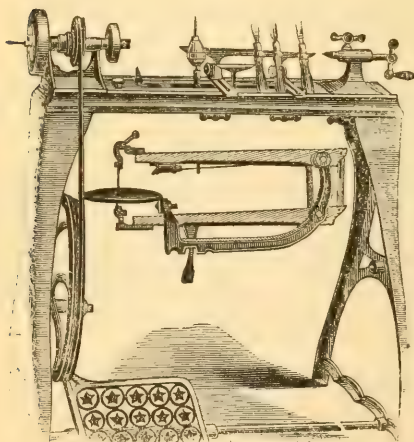
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You must evangelize before you can Americanize.—*Phillips.*

THE church is the parish of the minister, and the world is the parish of the church.—*Parkhurst.*

How is it that the beloved and favored of the Lord, who know so well the absolute necessity of the Gospel in the realization of peace and happiness for mankind, do not make more strenuous efforts to send or carry it to all?—*Baptist Home Missionary.*

JESUS has REDEEMED the world and gone to heaven, leaving us to EVANGELIZE it. Redemption is his—evangelization ours. He has put the word into our lips. Jesus has redeemed the WORLD—and two-thirds of humanity do not know that they have been redeemed—because they have not been told.—*Guinness.*

THE Great Physician has intrusted you with the medicine that heals the sick. The Great King has given you the meal with which to feed the hungry. We have a warrant for laboring to spread the sacred word of God; and more than a warrant, we have a statute from the throne, a peremptory command to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to every creature.—*Spurgeon.*

THE pressure is immense. Christians must pray more, give more, sacrifice more, work more, and become more enterprising than they ever before dreamed that they could. This is their opportunity. They must not lose it. They must do and dare. They must empty themselves into God's hands with all they possess, voluntarily losing all for Christ's sake—for the saving of this world for Christ—and let him reward them as he will.—*Pacific.*

HOLDING THE ROPE.

BY REV. CHARLES A. JONES, KANE, PA.

NEARLY one hundred years ago (1793) Andrew Fuller, Secretary of the first Baptist Missionary Society of England, said: "There is a gold mine in India, but it seems almost as deep as the center of the earth. Who will venture to explore it?"

William Carey, who became one of the first missionaries to India, made answer: "I will go down, but you must hold the rope."

To those who understand the signs of the times, the home missionary field seems, from a Christian point of view to be a vast and valuable gold mine, reaching from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico.

For many years the American Home Missionary Society has reiterated, "Who will venture to explore this mine?"

This year, from more than 1,966 courageous, strong-hearted, God-fearing, praying missionaries comes the answer: "We will go down into the mine, but you individual members of the Congregational Church of America must hold the rope."

Suiting their actions to their words, these Missionary Miners grasp the rope of "Pledged support," and descend into the mine to explore its recesses, to exhume its treasures, that is, to bring into the kingdom "such as shall be saved." Yes! down, down they go, conscious of its perils, yet fearless and uncomplaining; while we, their pledged supporters, sit on the side of the mine, ostensibly holding the rope—a rope fully \$200,000 too short for active operations and markedly prosperous work. It may not be that we, as a body of Christians, are criminally careless in this matter, but, with very few exceptions, we are most woefully negligent.

That this may not seem to be a rash affirmation, notice in what manner the rope, letting our Missionary Miners down into the Home Missionary mine, is held by our Church and its constituency.

1. Is it a mistake to say that there are those who hear the terms upon which the Missionary Miners go down into the mine, and, full of enthusiasm and zeal, suddenly, without a moment's thought, put their names to pledges which, in less enthusiastic moments, they find it impossible to redeem? Such enthusiasts may be said to have grasped the rope carelessly and prayerlessly; consequently they soon let go.

At an annual meeting of the American Home Missionary Society an attempt was making to liquidate the indebtedness of the year. A gentleman sitting near me remarked, as pledges of \$500, \$300, and \$100

came in, "It takes all the moral strength I have to keep myself silent. I want to pledge \$100, but I am on small salary, and have a large family to support, and two of my children are almost ready for college. I could not redeem such a pledge if I made it." Verily, the good sense and self-control of such a man are worth more to the Missionary Miner down in the mine than his unredeemed pledge would have been! Yet it is for every member of the Congregational Church to take hold of the rope, carefully and prayerfully. It is for every member of the Congregational Church and its constituency to think carefully and to consider prayerfully *how much* and *when* he can contribute. This may be condensed into the exhortation: *Hold the rope, carefully and prayerfully!*

2. There are those who, having heard the terms upon which the Missionary Miners go down into the mine, grasp the rope firmly with both hands; they pledge themselves for regular support; but in a most remarkably short time begin to relax their grip; they do not redeem their pledges until months and seasons after they are due. These are they who hold the rope unsteadily!

By such unsteadiness the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society at New York is not able to send drafts to needy Home Missionaries until weeks after they are due, and even then it is on borrowed money.

One of the most familiar monthly questions in the household of an American Home Missionary is, "Has the draft come yet?" And about holiday times the younger members of the family cannot understand why it is that the "Home Missionary Society does not pay papa now." And so Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's are tinged with sorrow and seasoned with tears.

The too patent answer to this question is: "Those who hold the rope hold it unsteadily. Pledgers fail to meet promptly their obligations to the Society's treasury." Therefore to the delinquents comes the exhortation: *Hold the rope steady!* Meet every obligation, and meet it on time. Do not wait until some Miner from the depths below stops work to shout, "More rope! More rope!"

3. Nor will it do to hold the rope too near the edge of the mine. If so, the weight of those who hang thereon will cut the strands on the rough edge, and we shall be in danger of losing both the rope and the Miners below.

At the National Cemetery at Andersonville there are thousands of marble slabs or wooden posts marking the spots where lie the soldier boys of the Rebellion who perished from starvation when the daily rations were a small bag of Indian meal, or a bit of salt bacon, and a handful of beans. But what marble slab or wooden post marks the spot where an extinct home missionary church once stood, or where lie the remains of a Home

Missionary, and more frequently his wife and his children, who have been starved by us, their brethren in the Lord, in that we have not supported them as we ought to have done by increasing rather than diminishing their meager salaries. We who hold the rope must not *hold it too near the edge!*

The American Home Missionary Society needs \$700,000 this year. We should strive to make the sum greater than \$700,000. We should see how *much* and not how *little* we as a Congregational Church can raise, mindful that in all phases of benevolence God judges by what is left after giving and not by the size of the gift.

4. Shortly after the love-test on the shore of the Galilee, the Master said to Simon Peter, "Follow me!" "Then Simon Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following . . . saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do?" And in this remark Simon Peter exemplified a modern Christian characteristic, especially apparent in the matter of giving. Then it is that we are tempted to ask, and in many cases do ask: "Lord, and what shall this man *give?*" We are willing that our neighbor should hold on to the rope with both hands, and allow us the privilege of beholding how well he does it. Yet, however agreeable such an attitude may be, it will not do. So to every Congregationalist the message is one and the same, *Hold the rope yourself!* in your own hands, Christian brother, that you may feel the exquisite thrill that comes from the tug, tug, tug, of the Missionary Miner at the other end!

5. And whatever you do, do not let go of the rope! There are about 4,800 Congregational churches in the United States. Of these 4,800 churches 1,400 contributed not a cent toward the American Home Missionary funds last year. One thousand four hundred Congregational churches failed to grasp the rope, or, if they ever had hold of it, they let go! And either of these conditions is disastrous to the Miner Missionary in his search for glittering gems worth the whole world. These gems are human souls. And "What shall it profit a man, if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" is our Savior's estimate of the value of a human soul. Let the Congregational churches give as the Lord hath prospered them, lest any learn, too late, the woe pent up in the proverb, "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." *Hold on to the rope!*

6. "But," says some one, "what if the rope slips in my hands? What if I find that I can do but little in the way of giving, what then?"

Do as did the gentleman above mentioned. I mean the gentleman at the annual meeting. That gentleman went from the meeting to one of the hotels, and there chanced to meet a lady to whom in a friendly

conversation he told what had taken place at the meeting that afternoon, and how much he regretted his inability to aid in lessening the indebtedness. The lady was wealthy, though the gentleman was not aware of it. She said to him, "I am this day seventy years of age. I will make a birthday gift unto the Lord for his goodness to me all these years."

To be very explicit: If you find the rope slipping in your hands, call on your neighbor for help. I mean, if you cannot give what you wish to give, solicit aid from your neighbor, and this, added to your own gift, will make glad the heart of the Miner Missionary whose condition Secretary Clark paints in none too somber colors when he writes:

"For weeks at a time, this winter, he has risen in the morning with this question, 'Where is the money?' on his heart, and has gone to his troubled bed at night without an answer. Thanksgiving was a grief, and Christmas a sadness for want of money. His home has been clouded, his credit threatened, his self-respect has suffered, and his peace of mind often disturbed by the delayed answer to his question. How is a man to do his best work thus weighted."

To relieve such distressed minds all the Congregational churches, and their united constituency, must have their hands on the "rope." Not the aged, the middle-aged, and the young people; but the children, the little children as well. In this work, as in every other, "a penny a day" counts. Let the little children have their hands on the rope. A society of little girls, all of them under fourteen years of age, have let a rope down into the American Home Missionary Society Mine this year, worth about \$30. Giving is more of a habit than we are apt to think; therefore teach the little children the habit of giving. Then their little hands, at least, may not *slip on the rope!*

7. Granted that the aged, the middle-aged, the young people, and the little children have hold of the rope, *how long shall they hold on?*

Presumably every one interested in your holding on would say: Hold on, at least, *until* death, and, if possible, *after* death; that is, let no year pass without a gift, and, if possible, when Nature claims all that is mortal of you, bequeath a legacy which shall go to the maintenance of the Home Work, that it may be affirmed of you: "He being dead yet speaketh." Yet, at the very least, hold on to the rope until death carries you whence there is no return! And, while holding on, pray for strength, God-given, and clutch at the rope again and again with renewed grip, taking a larger hold each time. Yes! Grip the rope so firmly as to send a perceptible thrill down the strands to encourage the Missionary Miner below.

To speak more plainly: While you are giving as God hath prospered

you, pray for greater success in business ; and, when God has answered your prayer, grant a generous gift to the American Home Missionary Society, that it, in turn, may send a ray of financial sunshine into the shadows that chill the atmosphere of the dugout, the sodhouse, or the cabin—the home of the frontier Missionary Miner.

THE BORDER SETTLER.

BY JOHN M. STEARNS, LL.D.

WHEN the story is told at our great religious anniversaries of the experiences and, in some instances, sufferings of our missionaries and their families in their pioneer labors in our border lands, it is impossible to suppress a tear of sympathy for them in their hardships and trials. To think of men and women reared in our cultured Christian homes, with the intelligence and refinements imparted by our schools of learning, taken away from their social enjoyments, the scenes and traditions of childhood and youth, and with their own consent placed with our new settlers made up of all sorts and conditions of men, and with the surroundings of rude and rustic life, is a surprise and astonishment. But all this is explained by *Christian consecration*, and the self-sacrificing duties it involves.

But though our missionary appeals look to the ultimate good and salvation of the border settler, his trials and experiences are seldom rehearsed, and he seems to be less an object of sympathy than his missionary teacher. Without the settler, the missionary would have no call to the new sections of our country. Of the sufferings of our Pilgrim fathers was our nation born ; so by the pluck, courage, and sufferings of the settlers on our borders has the nation developed and grown in population, wealth, and power.

But poverty is generally the controlling necessity that drives the new settler to the wilderness, and he goes with the hope of finding support and a home. He goes out with his family alone, as if unknown or ignored by all the world, with only his own right hand to trust, under God, for life and being for himself and wife and children.

It would be instructive to see an emigrant's wagon, with its white canvas covering and all the household belongings on board, with two jaded horses in front and a cow following, strapped to the wagon, which has reached its destination on the unmarked and unbroken prairie, where the nearest neighbor is ten miles away. The horses are "*unlimbered*," and the cow is turned loose to graze ; but the wagon is still the sleeping apartment of the family until a field is broken and the first crop put in. The emergencies of rude prairie life are afterward met as they arise. I

have been told by physicians in South Dakota that they often travel from ten to twenty miles to visit the sick of remote settlers.

Missionaries in the western mountain States preach the Gospel to the poor, but not necessarily to the ignorant or degraded, as illiteracy is as low there as in any of the eastern States. There are only six out of a hundred who cannot read and write. Indeed, I have seen as intelligent women as you will find anywhere living in 'dugouts' on the cattle ranches of western Kansas and eastern Colorado. I have seen such also in charge of a mining camp on the side of Gray's Peak, 12,000 feet above the sea.

About twenty years ago I had occasion to call on a clergyman in Wisconsin, whose wife was discontented and homesick for the lack of the cultivated society she had left at the East. But she did not seem to think that she might contribute to the refinement of the West, and that she might aid in building up the metropolitan cities of the Northwest, whose interest in education and progress is not exceeded by Boston to-day.

Let us remember the missionary, but let us not forget the people.

It is CURIOUS WHO GIVE.—"It's curious who give. There's 'Squire Wood, he's put down \$2; his farm's worth \$10,000, and he's money at interest. And there's Mrs. Brown, she's put down \$5, and I don't believe she's had a new gown in two years, and her bonnet ain't none of the newest, and she's them three grandchildren to support since her son was killed in the army, and she's nothing but her pension to live on. Well, she'll have to scrimp on butter and tea for awhile; but she'll pay it. She just loves the cause; that's why she gives."

These were the utterances of Deacon Daniel, after we got home from church, the day pledges were taken for contributions to Home Missions. He was reading them off, and I was taking down the items, to find the aggregate. He went on:

"There's Maria Hill, she's put down \$5; she teaches in the North District, and don't have but \$20 a month, and pays her board; and she has to help support her mother. But when she told her experience, the time she joined the church, I knew the Lord had done a work in her soul; and where he works you'll generally see the fruit in giving. And there's John Baker, he's put down \$1, and he'll chew more than that worth of tobacco in a fortnight. Cyrus Danning, \$4. Well, he'll have to do some extra painting with that crippled hand; but he'll do it, and sing the Lord's songs while he's at work."—*Etc.*

WHAT IS A MISSIONARY?

WHAT is a missionary? Our friend, Mr. Dictionary Webster, answers, "One sent to propagate religion." Flitting dimly before our minds is a vision of some dreary-faced man or woman, who, counting as nothing the love and beauty and joy of this world, has undertaken, in an official way, to carry the Gospel to the perishing heathen. Affection and enthusiasm would meet with no warmer response from such a person than from an old-fashioned box pulpit in a country meeting-house.

God does not fashion his missionaries from any specially prepared material; he uses ordinary flesh and blood. Neither does he dedicate to this particular service the poorer specimens of his handiwork. But having made the best kind of men and women, having refined and brightened them in his own mysterious way, he inspires their hearts, sends them out to work for him, and calls them "*missionaries*."

Suppose we shake our minds a little, wake up and think for a minute or two of this class of the world's inhabitants in an honest and common-sense way.

Take any man of our acquaintance who is provided with sound brains and a heart; accept him with all his peculiar likes and dislikes, and even those distinctively manly characteristics which are often so perplexing to his friends; fill him with an all-absorbing admiration and love for Christ, and let him comprehend what there is to be done for Him in the broad world; take him out of his dressing-gown and slippers, or from his luxurious hammock and last novel; mount him on horseback, and send him up and down in the dark places of our own land, or among the mountains of Persia or Syria; let him stop to talk in a school-house or liquor saloon or mining camp, or under a booth of freshly cut branches, to an audience sitting on the ground—and presto change! you have a missionary!

Find a gentle, beautiful, *womanly* woman; let her be well educated and accomplished; let her love art, music, dainty dresses, and her own way; let Jesus Christ win and master her heart, until she devotes her soul and life to him, and perhaps when next you see her she will be going up and down some river in Africa, attracting the children along the banks to the canoe by her singing, and visiting and teaching in the villages. You may discover her among the Indians in our own far West, in some one-story log house, cheerfully pasting muslin and newspapers over the air-holes to keep out the winds; eight miles from a post-office, and dependent on the red men for supplies. You might have found her, a year or two ago, bravely holding the mission fort, the only representative of the white race in an Asiatic city of 15,000 people.

In short, our missionaries, for whom we are working, flesh-and-blood

realities of this nineteenth century, are living embodiments of downright, old-fashioned heroism. They belong by right to that glorious company of saints, confessors, and martyrs who have, before and since the days of Jesus, subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, out of weakness been made strong, turned to flight the armies of the aliens,—of whom the world is not worthy.

Are we ashamed to call missionaries our friends? *If* our friends, let us love them, work for them, glory in them!—*Mrs. Mary E. Albright, in Church at Home and Abroad.*

ARE WE PRAYING FOR THEM?—With so much worldliness, immorality, and godlessness surrounding our little church, and our little company of active, working Christians, one feels the need of God's grace, and sees how powerless he is without the divine favor and blessing. We need the sympathy and prayers of all earnest and sincere Christian friends. How continually, sincerely, and earnestly Paul prayed for the churches to which he wrote, and how tenderly he commended them to the Father's care and love. How cheering it must have been to those churches that were weak, and struggling against the tides of evil surrounding them on all sides, to receive such tender words of sympathy, and watchful care from the apostle. I feel that our relation out here to the friends and churches of the East is somewhat analogous to the relation of Paul, and the churches under his care. We are dependent upon the prayers of good Christians even more than upon their gifts; gifts without prayers would be wasted. Perhaps the gifts will tend to bring us into closer sympathy and fellowship. Christ's kingdom is one. The whole family of Christ in heaven and earth is bound together in bonds of fellowship and love. Success in one place means success in another place. We are dependent upon each other, and the whole is dependent upon God.—*Kansas.*

FROM OKLAHOMA.

THE last time I wrote you the "Pleasant Ridge Congregational Church" had just gotten into their new house of worship—a hewed log house. We had just been having a revival; well, it is still going on; every week or two we have some one asking to be admitted. We have recently had the "Gospel Wagon Boys" with us, and that gave the cause a fresh start. I have now organized a new Congregational church five miles south of Pleasant Ridge to be known as the "Pleasant Valley Congregational Church," with ten members, with a Sunday-school of about forty members. We have no house whatever to meet in. We hold all our meetings, both of the church and Sunday-school, under a large oak tree,

with large extended branches. We have cut a few branches from other trees, and thickened up the shade with them by putting them overhead among the other branches; and this is our church building. But the Lord is with us. I hold services there every two weeks. I leave Guthrie every Sunday morning, arriving at Pleasant Ridge at eleven o'clock; hold service there, then go north five miles and at half-past three o'clock I hold another service at Mr. Workman's Grove, under the forest trees. I then go north again, about four miles, and hold a service at 8:30 in a large school-house. I have a congregation of about thirty to fifty, and at the school-house over one hundred. I have been to the school-house only three times, and these are the only services they have had since the Territory was opened. How gratefully they did receive the Word! Some wept for joy. Blessed be the name of the Lord, the work is going on here in Oklahoma!—*W. Lumpkin, Guthrie.*

DR. JOHN HALL ON HOME MISSIONS.—The first duty is on pastors who can inform and stimulate their people. Many churches give so small amounts that it is hard to believe that their members understand the case. Patriotism, benevolence, love of our race, attachment to our beliefs and methods of Christian work—to all these appeals can be made. Such is my respect for the principles of my co-religionists that I can hardly believe that a full presentation of the case would be followed by gifts, in many cases so small.

Many of the new settlers, in opening regions, are our own kindred. They need the means of grace. It is well to have our people, as far as possible, unified. What so fit to make them one as "the one Lord, the one faith, the one baptism?" We want crime reduced, and the social atmosphere purified. What is so adapted to this work as "the grace" that teaches men to "deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously and godly in the world?" We have ignorant, even heathen, elements in our population. Is there any force that can tell on them for good like that which made the Puritans, the Scotch-Irish, the Huguenots, and the Dutch, who made the United States?

When it is remembered that the eye of the civilized world is on us, how much our institutions depend for usefulness on the spirit of the people who work them, how rapidly certain forms of ill-doing are being developed, how much we owe as a nation to intelligent, self-denying religion, and how much our boasted liberty is depreciated by the unprincipled and godless abuse of it, all men and women with pronounced convictions based on the Word of God may well be in earnest in spreading and maintaining them by fitting agencies and appropriate institutions.

SPANISH WORK IN NEW YORK CITY.

DURING the months of June, July, and August our meetings were well attended, though the heat was against us. Many of our people left for the seaside, but those that remained in the city proved faithful.

Although Mr. Lopez was granted a month's vacation, the meetings went on steadily during his absence. Mr. Rodriguez, one of the most active members of his congregation, took care of them satisfactorily; he brought into our meetings new people, whose faces we never had seen before. Unexpectedly Mr. Lopez made his appearance one Sunday afternoon at the Pilgrim Church Spanish Sunday-school, and found twenty adults and children attending the service, most of them new faces, though the heat was overwhelming. We were the only class in the building.

Mr. Lopez went up to Lake Mohonk for a short stay, and while there was asked to give a talk on the Spanish work in general. He was pleased to do so, stating beforehand that no collection should be taken. After an hour's talk the friends were so much interested that they took up a collection of \$154.30 for the Spanish work in New York. This money will help us to give Mr. Rodriguez something for his faithfulness, to pay for our Sunday-school Spanish papers for a year and a half, and to help one of our faithful families in trouble at present.

We bless the Lord for his kindness to us shown through the American Home Missionary Society, our Pilgrim Church friends, and many of other denominations who show their interest in our work substantially.

We have been taking addresses and preparing to start a good work in Brooklyn, where we count already with sympathizers and friends.

Our greatest difficulty is in visiting the houses where we are strangers. A lady visitor would be a most precious help and efficient in every emergency where a man would not be welcome. Miss C. M. Strong has been a faithful friend and volunteer helper in this respect, and to her we are truly grateful.

We trust in God's promises for the next year, and we commend ourselves to the kindness of God's dear children wherever they be. May his kingdom come first in our hearts to give the zeal, the hope of salvation fulfilled, and the joy in the Holy Spirit, to go wherever he sends us with the precious promises of his Gospel.—*Spanish Missionary.*

JOSEPHITES.

WE live on the border of a Mormon settlement. I felt at one time that we were on the border of a revival when three young ladies were converted in our prayer-meetings. The Mormon elder heard of this, and

went to their house, and stayed there continually till he persuaded them to go into the reservoir to be baptized. The elder told them their sins were thus washed away, and they went home happy. He remained in their house another week, and as a result the rest of the family are to be baptized, although they had been baptized before.

A Mormon elder is a wily creature. He first works upon the fears of people, telling them that the end of the world is drawing near. And then, to quiet their fears, he tells them to believe in Jesus and Joseph Smith, and be baptized for the remission of their sins.

These people, whom he has drawn into his meshes, come to our meetings on Sabbath evenings in spite of the Mormons. So the elder has determined to take them away from this community for fear they will apostatize from the Latter Day Saints. This branch of Mormons pretends to reject polygamy. They call themselves "Josephites."—*A Home Missionary.*

OUT OF THEIR POVERTY.

In a country church in Brazil I have seen eggs brought and put into the "hat" instead of pennies; and one Sabbath I noticed, during the sermon, a man with about a bushel of beans in a bag by his side. After the service he came to the minister and said, "I couldn't put this into the hat; but it is the tenth of my crop of beans, and I want to give it to Home Missions." Offerings of calves, colts, and pigs, which are possible to those who could not give one cent of money, are allowed to run at large in the missionaries' pastures until they can be sold to advantage, and in time realize a larger sum than the people could ever have spared had they waited to give the cash.

A year ago, the universal failure of crops left the country people in great destitution. One member of the church, who was too ill to work, was in such straits that it was thought best to take up a collection for his aid. A few days before, the pastor was calling upon him, and the man handed him three dollars, the proceeds of a pig he had set apart for the Lord's cause. When asked if he still wished to give it when his larder was empty, he said, "I gave it to the Lord before; it is no longer mine." After consultation with the deacons, it was decided to put the money into the collection for his aid; so he had the blessing of giving, and the Lord did not suffer him to want. I could multiply cases where the poor gave out of their poverty until our little faith made us hesitate to receive the offerings. That year they reaped a harvest of spiritual blessings, and this year the Lord of the harvest has blessed them as well in temporal things. "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth."—*Lizzie Day Howell, in Woman's Work for Women.*

THE MISSIONARY CONCERT.

A MEDITATION.

I HAVE been looking into the Old Testament and also into the New with reference to concerted supplication. From the collective cry of Israel in Egypt till the eight days' prayer-meeting before Pentecostal wonders, I find ample evidence that associated petitions have special efficacy. This accords with a universal ordinance of God that combined action is power multiplied.

It seems to me that the Concert should be in truth a concert of prayer. Missionary lectures at that time are not what I want. Some one Scripture prophecy, promise, or example, duly presented, furnishes inspiration. Particular peoples, mission stations, persons, needs, awaken specific desires. Wall-maps and charts appeal impressively to my eye. I see a Japanese, a Chinese, a Hindu bowing to idols. I see a Moham-medan entering the mosque. I hear Roman Catholics offering more prayers to the mother of Jesus than to Jesus himself. I behold God's ancient covenant people in their wide dispersion, the veil still upon their hearts. My heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. The wants and woes of some distinct nation, tribe, or individual press upon my heart. I feel the need of devotional help by the presence of sympathetic souls. The Concert has become the most attractive, the most significant, the most momentous gathering for me.

It is impressed upon my mind that I am responsible to God for the loss of so much blessing upon others as my needless absence will occasion; that every absentee from that devout assemblage withholds a certain amount of spiritual force for good to others and robs himself of some measure of spiritual good. I have come to believe that the fullness of predicted gospel triumph need not be looked for till the dynamics of concerted prayer are more fully prized—till unnecessary absence from the place of missionary supplication is dreaded as a guilty omission.

No other gathering so rebukes my narrowness; no other so draws out my soul into broad sympathies or gives me such an uplift. It is the very focus of devotional energy, the center of broadest Christian education. Fellowship with the Lord Jesus, who died for all, becomes real. Contemplating thousands of cities, still crowded with unbelieving inhabitants, dry eyes do not comport with the tears he shed over Jerusalem. He who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, has been waiting these centuries for a Church as catholic and as earnest as himself. By prayers, by gifts, I must, to the utmost, make known the great salvation far and near.—*Missionary Herald*.

Woman's Department.

The exceeding greatness of His power to usward who believe—according to the working of His mighty power.—Paul.

THE lives which seem so poor, so low,
The hearts which are so cramped and dull,
The baffled hopes, the impulse slow,
Thou takest—touchest all—and lo!
They blossom to the beautiful.—*Susan Coolidge.*

A root set in the finest soil, in the best climate, and blessed with all that sun, and air, and rain can do for it, is not in so sure a way of its growth to perfection as a human being may be whose spirit aspires after all that which God is ready, and infinitely desirous to give.

For the sun meets not the springing bud that stretches toward him, with half that certainty, as God, the source of all good, communicates himself to the soul that longs to partake of him.

ENCOURAGEMENT IN SMALL SERVICE.*

By MRS. F. E. NETTLETON, LAKE HELEN, FLORIDA.

THEN said Evangelist, pointing his finger over a wide field, "Do you see yonder wicket gate?" The man said, "No." Then said the other, "Do you see yonder shining light?" He said, "I think I do." Then said Evangelist, "Keep that light in your eye, and go up directly thereto: so shalt thou see the gate, at which when thou knockest it shall be told thee what to do."

As the Christian pilgrim in Bunyan's story knew not which way to go when he found himself condemned to die and come to judgment, and cried, "I am not *willing* to do the first nor *able* to do the second!" do not we often find ourselves urging the same plea—"not willing," "not able," when opportunities for divine service have been presented?

There is no position in life in which we cannot serve God. He will grant us the necessary "ability" when we are "willing" to do our part. He sent an *angel* to cast off Peter's chains and to open the iron gate, because Peter could not do this. The angel said, "Gird thyself and bind on thy sandals"; this was something that Peter could and must do.

The doors are open everywhere for the extension of the kingdom of Christ. No obstacle exists beyond the natural opposition of our poor human hearts. We are sure that if we only occupied such and such positions we could accomplish much good. We imagine that because our sphere is limited we can do little, if anything. We forget that only of

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those to whom much is given will much be required. Had the man intrusted with the one talent gained but *one talent* more, he would have accomplished as much proportionately as either of the two; for he who had five talents gained but five others, and he who had two talents gained but two others, just one for each talent committed to him.

There is no part of the world where the soil is not prepared for the sowing of the divine seed, and where there is not promise of an abundant harvest, if the laborer will go forth in the spirit of the Master. Blessed and glorious service there is for every one of us who is *willing* to be used. He has chosen us for service. "Ye did not choose me, but I chose you, and appointed you, that ye should go and bear fruit" (R. V.). Now, if we are chosen of Christ, shall we not do his bidding? If he has chosen us he has chosen our work also. We are each distinctly and personally called of God to do a certain work in the world. In proportion to the moral nobleness of our impulses, and of our deep convictions of duty, and of our willingness to serve, shall we find our way made plain.

"The *trifles* of our daily lives,
The common things scarce worth recall,
Whereof no visible trace survives—
These are the mainsprings after all."

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, *do* it"—do it *now*; take hold of the very first duty that comes to hand, and the rest will follow in due order. Who hath despised the day of small things? "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts." Are we weak? Our weakness is his strength; no cause for apprehension—nay, verily, let us thank him that we are weak, for "God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty." Are we ignorant? "Not many wise after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called"; but "God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise."

What, then, are the qualifications for service? Weak enough, ignorant enough, humble enough, trustful enough, emptied of self, and filled with the Holy Spirit, so that whatever he commands, we shall do.

'One small life in God's great plan—
How futile it seems as the ages roll,
Do what it may, or strive how it can
To alter the sweep of the infinite whole!
A single stitch in an endless web,
A drop in the ocean's flow and ebb;
But the pattern is rent where the stitch is lost,
Or marred where the tangled threads have crossed;
And each life that fails of the true intent
Mars the perfect plan that the MASTER meant,"

A CHRISTMAS SURPRISE.

BY MINNIE E. KENNEY.

It was a generally understood thing that the church of Riverdale did not take much interest in missions. Once there had been a Foreign Missionary Society organized, and quite an earnest attempt had been made to induce the ladies to attend its meetings; but all the appeals had been answered by some such argument as this:

"Oh dear, no; I never did believe in Foreign Missions when there is so much to be done in our own country. I really couldn't conscientiously send my money so far away from home; it wouldn't seem right to me."

Of course no society could flourish without the enthusiasm of numbers, so it gradually died of inanition, and for two or three years there was no attempt at a missionary organization; then a Home Society was established.

Its chances of success seemed strong, for there were such a number of people who had been opposed to the foreign work that there surely would be a strong force to enlist themselves in behalf of Home Missions. Strange to say, however, only those who had been willing to work in the first society were willing to devote their energies to this new branch of the work. The malcontents now refused without any excuse, and intimated that "they didn't take much stock in missions anyhow"; so the Home Missionary Society was as far from flourishing as its predecessor had been, and the three or four members who conscientiously attended the meetings wondered whether it would not be as well to give them up altogether, since it was evident that there was no missionary enthusiasm to be aroused.

Miss Hester Rankin had just returned from an extended western tour; and the first thing she did the morning after her return, even before her trunks were unpacked, was to sit down to her elegant *escritoire* and write a note of invitation to every lady member of the congregation, asking each one to spend the following afternoon at her house and take tea. True, it was the afternoon when the missionary society was supposed to meet; but Miss Rankin smiled to herself as she directed an invitation to the president of the society with a quiet confidence that it would be accepted.

"They wouldn't go to a missionary meeting if they knew it; but if there isn't one here to-morrow afternoon I shall be surprised," she said to herself as she glanced at the superscriptions upon some of the envelopes—names that were unknown on the roll of missionary workers.

Not a few people were surprised when they received Miss Rankin's cordially worded invitation. The Rankin mansion was one that it was

esteemed quite a privilege as well as a pleasure to visit, and an invitation to take tea with the rather exclusive Miss Rankin was an event altogether out of the usual line of events. Even the officers of the missionary society promptly resolved to accept their invitations. The president thought that she could certainly be spared for once from the meeting, for the vice-president would probably be there and could take her place. The vice-president reflected that as the president was generally at her post, she was not really needed at all, and could go with a comfortable conscience. The secretary thought that since the minutes would be just the meager report of an uninteresting meeting that she always had to read, it would scarcely be worth while to forego the pleasure of a chat with Miss Rankin, and one of the luxurious teas for which that lady was noted, for the sake of the meeting; while the treasurer, who never had any report, did not think twice about the matter.

The spacious parlors were filled at three o'clock with a representation, that was nearly complete, of the ladies of the church. As each one arrived and found that she was not the sole recipient of Miss Rankin's invitation, a look of bewilderment took the place of the expression of complacent self-satisfaction. What did Miss Rankin mean by inviting so many people, and such a mixture, too? The officers of the society blushed as they glanced at each other, and realized that they had all with one accord forsaken the meeting; but they consoled themselves with the thought that there surely would be nobody there, since the faithful few were all assembled in Miss Rankin's parlor.

"You must forgive me, my friends," said the voice of the hostess, breaking in upon the hum of conversation, "if I have invited you here under false pretenses. This is really a missionary meeting; and as I have something to tell you that I wanted every lady in our church to hear, I invited you here this afternoon. As I shall ask you to bear with me in quite a long address that I propose to make, perhaps we would better open our meeting at once"; and she handed the president a Bible.

Her guests wondered not a little within their hearts as they listened. Miss Rankin had never shown any especial interest in missions before, and they could not imagine what had so suddenly aroused her. Probably it was something that had occurred during her trip, and they prepared to listen to her with both interest and curiosity.

When the brief opening exercises had been concluded, Miss Rankin rose to her feet, her cheeks flushed with earnest feeling.

"You all know that I can't talk well, and that I never tried to make an address before in my life," she began. "But I just feel as if I had been sent with a message to you all about this work of Home Missions, which only a few of us have ever tried to do anything for. I saw something while I was away on my western trip that made me resolve that

when I came home again, since I had not consecration enough to devote myself to the work, I would do all I could for the comfort of the workers in the field. Why, we don't begin to know the self-denial and sacrifices in the lives of these Home Missionaries; and many of them have left comfort and luxury behind them in their eastern homes, so they can keenly appreciate the difference. Do you remember Helen Sinclair, the school friend who spent several vacations with me years ago?"

Yes, they all remembered the beautiful, accomplished girl, the only daughter of doting parents, whose life had seemed to be unclouded by a single care or sorrow.

"You remember that she married a young minister," Miss Rankin went on, "and just before his marriage a call to a wealthy city church was placed in his hands. He was eloquent and talented, and everybody predicted that he would be a powerful and popular preacher before many years had passed away. The call he received was a great compliment to a young, untried man, and every one expected that he would gladly accept it. He went to Helen and asked her counsel, telling her that it had long been his intention to consecrate himself to the work of Home Missions, and go at once upon the completion of his studies to the frontier, where the call for workers was the loudest. He told her of the many trials and hardships of a missionary's life, and bade her decide between the call to the mission field and the call to this wealthy church, where he could assure her of a beautiful home with the luxuries to which she had been accustomed.

"It did not take Helen long to come to a decision. Resolutely she put aside all thought of self, and urged her lover to carry out his first intention of becoming a missionary. She thought nothing of the deprivations that were before her, and far from considering that her talents and accomplishments would be wasted in the far West, rejoiced that she could consecrate them to the work.

"Until this fall I had not seen her since the day after her marriage, when I bade her farewell as she was starting with her husband for her new home. I have heard from her frequently during all these years, through brave, bright, cheery letters, speaking of her home happiness, of the many encouragements in their work, and of their children, but never a hint of homesickness, loneliness, or want.

"They have moved three times, going to harder and more discouraging fields, where helpers were more sorely needed. When she heard that I was to be near her, she wrote me a cordial invitation to come and spend a week with her; 'but,' she added, 'I am afraid I cannot promise you much of comfort.' I gladly accepted her invitation, eager to see my old school friend once more."

Miss Rankin paused a moment, wondering whether the facts that had

stirred her own heart so deeply would touch the hearts of her hearers. The circle of faces showed such interest in her simple story that she was encouraged to go on.

"When the cars left me at the little mining village, I could not help contrasting it, as I stepped out on the platform, with the city that had been Helen's girlhood home. I had not much time for thought, however, for as my feet touched the platform my friend's arms were around me in a close embrace of welcome. I was shocked when I looked into her altered face, though I tried to hide my feelings. She was thin and careworn, and there was a look of settled anxiety that had never rested for a moment on the face of my girl friend. The fifteen years that had passed since I bade her good-by had been hard years, and had left their traces. Helen was a broken-down woman when she should have been in her prime.

"I did not wonder when I had been in her home a few hours. I wish I could picture it to you in all its poverty. Exquisitely neat and clean, with a cozy, homelike feeling about it, though the furniture was scanty and well-worn, and the only carpet the house possessed was faded and threadbare. Helen's beautiful paintings were on the walls, and here and there a bit of dainty needlework reminded me of old times; but for the rest, I could hardly realize that this small, plain house, with so little of comfort, was the home of my friend. Her hands told an eloquent story of work, of the hardest, roughest kind. The delicate skin was reddened and toil-roughened, and hard work had enlarged the joints. It is impossible to pay a servant's wages out of the scanty salary the missionary receives, so all the household care falls upon Helen's shoulders. In addition to caring for a family of five, and doing all the sewing and mending, she plays the organ in church, teaches in Sunday-school, and has charge of a sewing class.

"From the children's lips I learned more of the struggle with want than Helen would have confessed to me. But she did speak to me of her anxiety for the coming winter; for the children had outgrown their clothing, and she could not see where more was to come from, and I think your hearts would have been as stirred with sympathy as mine was.

"Now, my dear friends, can't we do something for this missionary and his wife, who undergo more deprivations and sacrifices than we can ever know of, for the cause to which we are so indifferent? I did not say anything to Helen, lest, after all, she might be disappointed; but I brought the measures of all the family, and a list of the most necessary things for the house, and I want to ask you if we can't send them a royal Christmas-box, one that shall lighten their hearts, and relieve them from pressing care. Think of the life of her precious boy being sacrificed for

want of proper clothing, while we sit here at home without lifting a finger for the work which is costing others such sacrifices! Can't we do something, too?"

There might have been more eloquent speakers than Miss Rankin; but her deep emotion stirred her listeners' hearts, and there was an eager chorus of assent to her appeal.

All the talk after that was of plans for this Christmas-box, and over the luxurious afternoon tea many acts of self-denial were privately resolved upon that the box might contain every needed comfort. This was in October, and weekly meetings of the Home Missionary Society were held from that time on, that busy fingers might fly, and execute the plans that were laid out. It cost some sacrifices, but the remembrance of the greater ones that were being freely and gladly made caused them to count all self-denial easy.

At last the work was done; the last dainty, tasteful garment had been fashioned, and carefully packed, and the great box was dispatched on its errand of blessing.

It was Christmas eve—a bitterly cold night, with a fine, cutting sleet driving before the wind. Helen Lester was watching anxiously for her husband's return from a long, cold ride which he had taken to see a dying man, and now and then she brushed the tears from her eyes, as she heard the wind moaning and wailing about the house, and heard the sleet patter against the pane. The children were all in bed. She had kept a smiling face while she answered their merry prattle; but now she gave way to her feelings of anxiety. It seemed so hard at this Christmas-tide to see her little ones denied so many of the pleasures she had known herself in old times.

A row of stockings hung behind the stove, and her deft fingers were fashioning some paper dolls to put in them, that they might not be wholly empty when the children should awake with eager expectancy.

Her quick ears heard at last the sound of a horse's feet, and she sprang to open the door as her husband reached the doorstep.

"Are you very cold?" she asked, tenderly, as she drew a chair up beside the stove for the weary man, and poured out a cup of steaming coffee.

"Yes, it is a bitter night," he answered, holding out his hands to the grateful blaze; then, as he saw tear-stains upon his wife's cheeks he put his arm about her, and drew her to him, asking with loving anxiety:

"Why, Helen, what is the matter, darling? Are you sick, or over-tired?"

The tearful face was hidden on his shoulder, and for a few moments the overcharged heart found vent in passionate tears.

"Tell me, dearest, what is the matter? Are you so tired?"

"No; it isn't for myself," Helen sobbed; "but it seems so hard for you and the children. To-morrow will be Christmas, and we have nothing for them except those little paper dolls, and there is so much that they need, and I cannot see where it is all to come from. And you, dearest; your clothing is not fit for you to be out in this bitter weather. Your overcoat is so thin that it doesn't half protect you. I know it is wicked, but I feel as if God had forsaken us."

"Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you," was the tender answer, as the strong arms held the weary wife in a loving embrace.

"We must trust where we cannot see, dearest, and our Father will surely provide for our wants in his own time."

Drying her eyes, Helen rose to her feet, and, chiding herself for what she considered her selfish outburst, she brought the hot coffee to her husband, and ministered to his comfort.

A little later they heard voices on the road, and opening the door the minister saw that a sleigh had stopped, and four men were trying to lift out a large box which filled the entire body of the sleigh.

"Here's a Christmas-box for you, parson," called one of the men. "It was late when it came; but I thought I would bring it right along to-night, that you might have the good of it to-morrow. Will you lend a hand with it? It's powerful heavy."

It was only by turning it on edge that the great box could be coaxed through the doorway. When it was safely deposited in the kitchen, the men drove away, with a kindly "Good-night."

Surely there never was a Christmas-box so overflowing with Christmas joy. When the cover was pried off, and the fleecy blankets lay white and soft as a covering for the treasures beneath, Helen clasped her husband's hand in her own trembling fingers.

"Carl, ask God to forgive me for my wicked doubts. Here this blessing was coming to us, *was on its way*, when I was most faithless."

What a mine of treasures the box was! One after another the beautiful gifts were lifted out—blankets, comfortables, linen, and many a labor saving utensil for the busy housekeeper's use. Warm, soft underwear, which could defy the cold winds, a complete outfit for each member of the family, a heavy, fur-trimmed overcoat, with fur driving-gloves for the minister, toys and candies to gladden the children's hearts, a beautiful carpet, books, and, in a loving note from Miss Rankin, a fifty dollar bill, which represented many a comfort in the scanty larder.

What a Christmas that was! The stockings were filled to their utmost capacity, and bulged out in every shape with their mysterious contents.

A joyous Christmas it was, and hundreds of miles away many other hearts felt a reflected glow of happiness as they thought of the box, and the joy it would carry, and learned by their own experience that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."—*Christian Intelligencer*.

A HOLIDAY SUGGESTION.

LET us remember our Home Missionaries! How? By getting the address of one and mailing a Christmas or New Year's gift. What can I send by mail? First a Christmas or New Year's card; second, a book bound in paper or cloth; third, a package containing either a pretty, plain apron, a linen collar or pair of cuffs, or both, a handkerchief, a pair of mittens, a warm cap or muffler; fourth, a small box containing a variety of pins and needles, darning cotton, thread, buttons, etc.; fifth, a box containing ribbon or velvet, a flower, a feather, anything that will help make a bonnet or trim a hat; sixth, and best of all, a paper box (such as our shoes come in) containing a small book for the father, an apron for the mother, a bit of fancy work begun or partly finished with materials for finishing for the oldest daughter, a game for the boy, a small doll for the little girl, and a trinket for the baby.

Shall I buy new things? No; pass along what you have enjoyed, and let them continue their work of blessing; or, if you have anything you don't care for, but which has value, pass it along. Sacrifice need not go with each box. Shall I send a sachet-bag? Yes, if you have nothing better, and no better use for it. It could be slipped into the pocket of some apron sent by another, but all alone it might brighten the life of one living on the frontier. Use judgment if you have it; if not, send just the same. Your lack may be supplied at the other end of the line.

Shall we write anything? Yes, if you like; but do not fail to give your name and address, with stamps, that a word of thanks may be returned. This suggests another gift—a package containing paper, envelopes, postage stamps, etc.

Why cannot hundreds of such gifts be mailed before Christmas? One missionary society will enter twenty or thirty homes in this way.

How shall I get the name and address of a Home Missionary? Ask the President of your Society, and she will study out an answer.—*H. M. K.*

TO LEADERS OF MISSION BANDS.—Are you looking for something to make children's meetings interesting? Send to Mrs. H. Eckert, Prospect Place, Avondale, Cincinnati, O., for circular describing "Children's Missionary Exercises," "Combined Teas," etc.,

MONTANA.

THE W. H. M. U. of Montana has issued its first annual report. Considering the difficulties with which this pioneer union has to contend the outlook is encouraging.

Among the suggestions to auxiliaries we read this with pleasure: "*Appoint a member in every church to receive subscriptions to the missionary papers.*" Intelligence in the work is sure to secure growth and spiritual prosperity. The words of the State Secretary, Mrs. W. S. Bell, should be read by all pioneer workers:

"When, a year ago at Helena, a little band of women determined to inaugurate organized missionary work in our State, and under the direction of Rev. H. C. Simmons, of North Dakota, a Woman's Missionary Union was formed, there was manifest the feeling in our weakness that 'Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.' But the year has shown that we were neither too small in numbers, nor too inexperienced to undertake this work, for many women in our churches in Montana are now richer in knowledge of missions, stronger for the experience they have had, more earnest in their prayers for the coming of the Kingdom, and more desirous of helping forward the work by their offerings.

"Is there any good reason why, during the coming year, we shall not see a society connected with every church? The old excuse, 'a feeble church, itself in need of all things, should not be expected to aid in sending the Gospel to other parts of the world,' has been proven a fallacy. *Because of their weakness* do churches need to cultivate an interest in missions."

OKLAHOMA.

WE are also in receipt of the first annual report of the Oklahoma Woman's Union, another pioneer band, bravely facing manifold difficulties, and, in the strength of their God, gaining victories. The following resolution was adopted at the annual meeting:

Resolved, That we, as mission workers, make a more earnest effort during the coming year, and so plan and work and pray that we may, by united effort, succeed in bringing the Gospel of Christ to many souls.

Before presenting the reports of the auxiliaries the Secretary, Mrs. L. E. Kimball, remarked:

"Our friends in New York have called us the 'Oklahoma Baby.' It is a strong and healthy child that takes its first step alone before it is one year old. We are but eight months old, and are to-day taking our first step. We shall soon hear—through our reports—how the bone and muscle have been developing preparatory to this and future steps."

Here, as in Montana, the outlook is certainly encouraging. It has been proved, again and yet again that when a few consecrated women obey the divine call, "Go forward!" each step of the way is made plain when the time comes to take it.

Our Young People.

CHRISTMAS SONG.

1. Lift up, O little children,
Your voices clear and sweet,
And sing the blessed story
Of Christ, the Lord of glory,
And worship at his feet!
 2. Lift up, O tender lilies,
Your whiteness to the sun;
The earth is not our prison,
Since Christ himself hath risen,
The life of every one.
 3. Ring, all ye bells, in welcome,
Your chimes of joy again!
Ring out the night of sadness,
Ring in the morn of gladness,
For death no more shall reign.
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ONE WAY TO USE CHRISTMAS MONEY.

"QUACK, QUACK, QUACK," waddle, waddle, waddle, down they go, searching for the clear waters of the lake, a handsome big drake leading the way. Alas! they must content themselves with drinking from their trough, for slowly but surely the ice is thickening, getting ready for your Christmas skates. What are they? A flock of missionary ducks; two handsome bronze ones, two pure white ones, and two brown ones.

Some duck fancier says: "I never heard of missionary ducks; what kind are they?" Let me tell you. Last year some Sunday-school children were given four pennies each to invest for missions. The Sunday-school was not a large one, and there were only twelve members in the church. They had preaching only a part of the year. How much do you think those four pennies grew into? Sixteen dollars and thirty-six cents!

Their hearts grew large as they invested their money, and planned ways to increase it, and their enthusiasm spread among the grown people so that every penny of the forty dollars asked for from that church for benevolence was all paid in. When it was first asked of them no one be-

lieved it could be done. When it was done no one was the poorer in purse, and all were richer in their souls, for you must know, children, that sharing what is ours with another doubles our own pleasure.

You would like to know how the children invested their pennies. Some bought ducks' and chickens' eggs, and set them, anxiously awaiting the first peep from the shells. Some girls raised flowers, and sold them at a church festival. Some raised vegetables. One blind girl made and sold bead collars. One friend polished a Manzanita stick into a choice cane. Thus we got our missionary ducks. As I write, the nickels for a new investment lie beside me. This year they put a nickel each into business for missions, and a dime in for a parsonage, for now they have a new minister, and they want to build him a house.

Such enthusiasm has wings like the down on the milkweed seeds, and has blown across the bay. The children there are investing, also.

Now, Sunday school children, do you know how many there are of you? Over 600,000! Think of it!


If every one of you will invest a nickel for missions, and give all your profits to the Lord, do you know how many ministers you can send to frontier places? How many churches and parsonages you can build? How many teachers you can support among the Freedmen and Indians and Chinese and the Mormons, and send into other lands, too, for the field is the world? Six hundred thousand children who are in earnest to be of use in Christ's kingdom can accomplish *wonderful* things! Ask your mothers to help you.

Let me tell you how the Hawaiian women teach their children to give. They hold the baby's hand with a penny in it over the contribution box. The little hand instinctively closes over the penny, the mother gently shakes the little fingers until the penny drops into the box, then she kisses the child, and pets the little hand. This she repeats until her child appreciates something pleasant has been accomplished, and thus learns to give.

Children, there are many ways to earn money. The downy seeds of the milkweed are coveted by many for cushions; the deserted wasp and hornet nests are pretty for walls, and many ladies would buy them. If your eyes are open, and your hearts full of desires to be useful you can do much in various ways to earn money.

Will you begin now to plan for this? Take a little from your Christmas money to invest for Home Missions, and see how much sweeter the rest will seem. Then after Christmas you will have several months to make investments before the financial year closes, and may the Lord give you rich dividends for the home missionary treasury!—*Mrs. Edwin S. Williams.*

PREPARE FOR THE GRAND HOME MISSIONARY RALLY,
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY	
	
This Certifies that _____ by the payment of _____ is enrolled a soldier in the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army—	
David B. Lee	for Secy.
Alex McLaughlin	TREASR
Jos. Bonner Clarke Wm. Kincaid Washington Chavate Secy.	

THE ENROLLMENT CARD

FOR THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.

A cut of it we give above. This has been prepared expressly as a certificate of membership in this great host of our young friends whom we hope to enlist in the work.

In naming this host "The Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army," we do not wish the older members of the Sunday-schools to feel that they are excluded from enrollment. Let every scholar and teacher and officer become one of this army.

Samples of these cards, with a larger one for the desk or the wall of the school-room, have been sent to each superintendent; and we trust that officers and teachers will cordially respond, and bring this to the attention of the scholars.

We hope the enrollment gift will be at least a dime, more if possible, but would not decline to enroll scholars if they could not give but a half dime, or even less than that.

TO SUPERINTENDENTS.

A WORD OF EXPLANATION AS TO THE USE OF THE CARDS

Let each teacher get as many members of the class as possible to contribute to this work on the 22d, and then on that day give to each one contributing the Certificate of Membership in "The Home Missionary Army," writing the scholar's name and the amount given upon the card.

This card is to be kept by the scholar.

Each teacher will of course know the number of such soldiers in the class, and if all the class are thus enrolled, so much the better.

But upon you, brethren, the Superintendents, will depend the general interest of the school in this "Rally."

Speak of it, explain it, encourage it.

It is being very widely adopted, and enthusiastically received.

CHILDREN! YOU CAN DO IT!

Do you know how many of you there are in our Congregational Sunday-schools?

600,000!

It would take you a long time to count 600. How long would it take you to count 600 a thousand times?

Just think what such an army can do *if every soldier does his part!*

Why, if each one of you will bring only a dime to the

GRAND HOME MISSIONARY RALLY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1891,
we shall have to count 600 dimes a thousand times. How many *dollars* will that make?

\$60,000!

On your "Enrollment Card" you will see a blank space for your name, and another one for your contribution. Your Sunday-school teacher will be glad to fill up the blanks as you shall direct.

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

IN the first seven months of the current (sixty-sixth) financial year the receipts at the treasury of the National Society have been as follows :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$13,542 54	\$17,280 43	\$30,822 97
May.....	24,052 85	3,223 02	27,275 87
June.....	15,608 82	6,907 54	22,516 36
July.....	13,919 50	13,852 15	27,771 65
August.....	8,197 04	10,551 90	18,748 94
September.....	16,819 54	15,352 35	32,171 89
October.....	19,110 91	19,778 26	38,889 17
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	\$111,251 20	\$86,945 65	\$198,196 85

The receipts in the corresponding months of 1890 were :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$20,306 48	\$3,723 85	\$24,030 33
May.....	14,969 79	2,066 64	17,036 43
June.....	11,845 88	2,163 11	14,008 99
July.....	25,145 31	17,236 06	42,381 37
August.....	14,235 36	5,642 46	19,877 82
September.....	16,241 59	1,664 53	17,906 12
October.....	13,877 18	24,891 58	38,768 76
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	\$116,621 59	\$57,388 23	\$174,009 82

The above statement shows no marked change in the situation since the issuing of the November number. The October receipts were: from contributions, \$19,111; legacies, \$19,778; in all \$38,889—a gain of \$6,717 on the previous month, but barely \$120 in advance of October, 1890. There is still a gain (\$24,187), due wholly to larger receipts from legacies, over the first seven months of 1890; but the offerings of living givers are smaller by \$5,370.

Meanwhile the Executive Committee cannot deem it prudent to add to the Society's obligations at the bank, and every day's mails are bringing in reports from the missionaries, whose claims for finished work amount to more than \$20,000. Drafts representing the daily receipts from churches and willing givers are sent at once to brethren who have waited longest or, for various reasons, are especially dependent on the Society's appropriations.

The immediate need of enlarged offerings has been made public month after month, with no material increase of our resources. There surely can be no lack of knowledge of the facts, nor can anything be said to make plainer or more urgent the vital need of help from all friends of the Society and its work. It rests wholly with these friends to say whether the just claims of their noble substitutes, toiling in many a distant and destitute field, with the winter already upon them, shall or shall not be honestly and promptly met. The Master himself, in the persons of these his brethren, presses this question upon those to whom he is giving all that they have—for whom he has given HIMSELF.

DECEASE OF MR. ALBERT WOODRUFF.

ALBERT WOODRUFF was born August 13, 1807, in the little town of Sunderland, Mass., among the Berkshire Hills. Taken at an early age to the adjoining town of Otis, he remained there until his twelfth year, when the family removed to Hartford, Conn.

While there, although in business, he pursued studies in the hope of entering college, but in 1827 gave up this plan, came to New York, and entered into partnership with his brother as fish and salt merchants under the firm name of E. P. & A. Woodruff, which after the death of his brother became A. Woodruff & Robinson.

In 1835 he married Harriet Partridge, of Hatfield, Mass., a granddaughter of Dr. Joseph Lyman, one of the originators of the American Board. To the intelligent co-operation and affectionate counsels of this highly cultured Christian helpmeet was due in no small degree the success of his Sunday-school and other benevolent enterprises. While in New York he was connected with Dr. Spring's church, "the Brick Church," at that time situated on Beekman St. Being a strong Congregationalist, he later was one of the founders of the Broadway Tabernacle. While in Dr. Spring's church he, with some others, began one of the earliest mission Sunday-schools. In 1844 he removed to Brooklyn. About 1859 he retired from active business and devoted the rest of his life to the introducing and spreading of the Sunday-school system in many countries, even where the English tongue was not spoken. In 1862 he visited Europe particularly for this purpose, remaining for a time in London to attend a large Sunday-school convention. There, as our Civil War was raging, he took an active part with Bishop Vincent and several other Americans in vindicating the North. While in Europe, though speaking no foreign language, he succeeded in beginning Sunday-schools in Italy and in the State Church in Germany and Holland.

After his return he founded the society now known as the Foreign Sunday-school Association, of which he was the president until his death,

October 11, 1891. He was one of the originators of the Church of the Pilgrims, Brooklyn, and was active in calling to its pastorate Dr. Storrs, the forty-fifth anniversary of whose settlement is soon to be celebrated.

Mr. Woodruff was elected a member of the Executive Committee of A. H. M. S. in 1842, but the pressure of other duties compelled him to resign the following year. Re-elected in 1879, he continued to serve with singular punctuality and faithfulness until his lamented death. His associates will ever retain a delightful memory of his gentle, affectionate spirit, and of his ready wisdom that largely aided them in their counsels.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS.

At a stated meeting of the Executive Committee of the American Home Missionary Society, duly convened in the Society's Rooms at the Bible House, in the City of New York, October 21, 1891, the following votes were unanimously adopted and entered upon its minutes, viz.:

Resolved:—In view of the material prosperity which has visited most of our western fields in the wonderful harvest of the year, that each Superintendent be requested to make special efforts to secure, if possible, a reduction of at least ten *per cent.* upon the previous grant on all remaining applications for the current year; on condition, in every instance, that the people make up the difference by increased pledges to their pastor's support.

Resolved:—That in view of the temporal prosperity which has visited most of our western fields in the wonderful harvest of the season, the Superintendents be renewedly urged to make special effort to secure from each church an increased Home Missionary contribution to the Treasury of the Society.

SWEET PEAS AGAIN!

THE "Missionary Sweet Peas" won for themselves a name last season. The result financially was double what was expected, and so far as reported they everywhere gave satisfaction. Letters of inquiry are coming in as to whether the offer will be renewed this season.

After consultation with the officers at the Bible House it is decided to "try again." And it is hoped that at least \$200 will be garnered into the Society's treasury this time. The offer is made by a Connecticut pastor who cultivates Sweet Peas as a "hobby." He writes:

"Preaching the gospel for a vocation, and amateur gardening for a diversion. What more is needed to make a country minister's life an ideal one? Only one thing, and that is to have a 'hobby.' This time the choice of hobbies lay between Home Missions and Sweet Peas. What more natural than to wed the two and pronounce them one? Results: one hundred and fifteen dollars for the treasury and a row of sweet peas reaching from Maine to California. The 'boom' this year has

made a sweet pea belt across the continent. And every blossom, with a nod and smile, has said,

"How much are you going to give to Home Missions this year?"

"The best agent that appeared in the pulpits last summer was the bouquet of sweet peas. Did you make them *talk*, brethren?"

"The joke about this scheme was that such a flood of half-dollars came pouring into the New York treasury that a part of the seed had to be bought. Dr. Clapp liked it so well he didn't want to cry 'Halt!' But he got all the money, and we got the experience."

The collection numbers more than fifty named varieties, besides many beautiful hybrids. Besides his own seed, carefully grown and given away in this offer, probably three times as much will have to be purchased from the seedsmen; but this will all be the very best, and each variety will be bought in quantity, separately. The offer is better than last year. A generous package consisting of twenty-four varieties, with a copy of directions how to grow them, a sheet containing several diagrams showing how to make a cheap trellis, and a descriptive list of all the named varieties of Sweet Peas, will be mailed to any one who sends fifty cents. It is the wish of the Society Treasurer that both *orders* and *money* be sent directly to Rev. W. T. Hutchins, Ellington, Ct. This will save much postage and detail work. Every order with money will be promptly acknowledged by postal card. But the packages of seed will not be sent till February except to the southern States. *Send early.*

[One package of these seeds, in the hands of a Vermont farmer's wife, yielded such an abundant harvest that she was able to supply the lovely blossoms for church decoration on the Sabbath and for the sick and well during the week. But to the "summer boarders" she *sold* these rich blossoms, and contributed the proceeds to the A. H. M. S.]

"OUR WEDDING WREATH" is an 8 by 11 inch book of 60 pages, heavy paper, fine white gilt embossed cloth binding and gilt edges, containing an appropriate marriage ceremony, a marriage certificate, space for the signatures of well-wishers, and a family record. In addition to this the book contains "counsel" for the married couple, to be signed by the officiating clergyman, and an excellent collection of extracts, both prose and poetry, from many eminent men bearing on the marriage relation and the home, the author's object being "to arrange a souvenir that shall serve the twofold purpose of marriage certificate and silent counselor."

One of our esteemed missionaries, the Rev. Cornelius E. Walker, is the author of this book and offers to set aside for this Society the profit on any copies ordered direct from him. The price is seventy-five cents postpaid, and the orders may be sent to him at Burwell, Neb.

We hope there will be a general "Rally" of our Sunday-schools on November 22; but to schools which find it inconvenient to organize on that day we shall be glad to furnish enrollment cards whenever they are easy to fall into line.

Appointments in October, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Bacon, Joseph F., Oakland, Cal.
 Birlew, Gorden E., El Paso, Texas.
 Bradford, Park A., Oswego, Kan.
 Brown, Miss J. E., Teacher, Vinita, Ind. Ter.
 Bull, David W., Henrietta, N. Y.
 Buttinghausen, R. Justus, Guttenberg, N. J.
 Cady, George L., Payette, Idaho.
 Dalton, Martin L., Sa amanca, N. Y.
 Felt, Jesse B., Gainesville, N. Y.
 Fry, Holland B., Cortland and Mecca, Ohio.
 Gage, O. A., Riceville and Centerville, Penn.
 Haven, Theodore W., Hope, No. Dak.
 Henshaw, Gorden E., Ellington N. Y.
 Humphreys, Thomas A., Johnstown, Penn.
 Jones, William, Flagler and Seibert, Colo.
 Kenyon, Frank E., De Soto, Mo.
 Root, Edward P., Highland Lake, Colo.
 Squire, Joseph J., Kansas City, Mo.
 Welmar, Morrison, Sedgwick, Kan.
 Wells, Clayton B., Elyria, Colo.
 Wolf, Joshua J., Willsborough, N. Y.
 Woodhull, George H., Windsor, Mo.

Re-commissioned.

Arnquist, Salomon, St. Louis, Mo.
 Bagnall, Frederick, Alba, Mich.
 Belsey, George W., Dayton, Ohio.
 Bergmans, Jacob C., Grand Island, N. Y.
 Bilings, C. S., Evangelist in Neb.
 Boedeker, Miss E. M., Teacher, Vinita, Ind. Ter.
 Bond, John J., Tallmans, N. Y.
 Chamberlin, Egbert L., Atwood, Eastport, and Ellsworth, Mich.
 Chavez, Ezekiel C., San Rafael, New Mex.
 Clarke, Almon T., Shelby, Ala.
 Cooley, H. G., Big Lake and Monticello, Minn.
 Craig, Timothy C., Aberdeen, Wash.
 Curry, Miss M. E., Teacher, Vinita, Ind. Ter.
 Dahl, Gustav, Jersey City, N. J.
 Davis, Lyman E., Albany, N. Y.
 Dawson, William E., Tacoma, Wash.
 Dimon, Jacob V., New Whatecom, Wash.
 Dixon, Myles C., Freeport, Mich.
 Edmonds, T. Merrill, Wadena, Minn.
 Evans, David E., Coal Creek, Colo.
 Fish, Dana, Wilmington, N. Y.
 Florence, Ephraim W., Watertown, N. Y.

Franklin, John L., Buffalo, N. Y.
 Graham, William H., Jr., Macksville and Society Hill, Ga.
 Grieb, Edmund, Alpena and Woonsocket, So. Dak.
 Griffin, Perley M., Parsons, Kan.
 Grinnell, E. I., Copemish, Mich.
 Hall, Thomas, Clayton, N. Y.
 Harwood, J. H., Buena Park, Cal.
 Hines, Henry, Goodland and Hopkins, Ind. Ter.
 Hobart, Miss Ella, Cleve and, Ohio.
 Howard, J. F., Millville, N. Y.
 Howard, Edward B., Butte Mon.
 Hoyt, Frederick V., Spokane, Wash.
 Hubbell, Miss A., Teacher, Vinita, Ind. Ter.
 Hull, Walter G., Summer Hill, N. Y.
 Johnson, Lorentz C., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Jones, Richard M., Coal Dale, Penn.
 Lawrence, Henry O., Daw-on, Minn.
 McCarthy, Prof. John, Principal, Vinita, Ind. Ter.
 McDermid, Miss Mary, Teacher, Rogers, Ark.
 McDougall, William H., San Mateo, Cal.
 McKee, James H., Olean, N. Y.
 Marsh, Wilson J., Wichita, Kan.
 Morrison, George M., Ada, Minn.
 Oehler, W., St. Paul, Minn.
 Packard, Abel K., Lafayette, Colo.
 Pike, Alpheus J., Dwight, No. Dak.
 Price, Thomas M., Bertha and Verndale, Minn.
 Sargeant, Miss Mary M., Teacher, Rogers, Ark.
 Scroggs, J. W., Principal, Rogers, Ark.
 Sjoberg, August, Ridgway, Penn.
 Smith, E. A., Eldred and Barryville, N. Y.
 Staun, John J., Scappoose, Or.
 Strough, F. A., Philadelphia, N. Y.
 Sutherland, John M., Leonidas, Mich.
 Taylor, Raynsford, Hydesville, Rhonerville, and Alton, Cal.
 Thrall, William H., Redfield, So. Dak.
 Truman, Daniel, White Cloud, Mich.
 Uzzell, Thomas A., Denver, Colo.
 Vaughn, Howard K., Fildel, Wis.
 Vetter, John, Eldon, Mo.
 Vogler, Henry, Blumenthal, Friedens, and St. Matthew, So. Dak.
 Wikoff, Harry H., San Francisco, Cal.
 Williams, John B., Downs, Okla.
 Wirt, David, Tiburon, Cal.
 Wright, James C., Fairhaven, Wash.

Receipts in October, 1891.

MAINE—\$117 50.

Received by J. L. Crosby, Treas. M. M. Soc.:	
Orono.....	\$25 00
Bath, Central Ch., by F. S. Partridge.....	30 00
Hallowell, South Ch., Miss. con., \$15;	
Mrs. H. K. Baker, \$5, by Edward Chase.....	20 00
Kennebunk, Union Ch., by H. S. Brigham.....	31 50
Maine, A Friend.....	10 00
Portland, Second Parish, the "Mite" of a friend.....	1 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$237.01.

F. C. I. and H. M. U., Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.:	
Bristol, Ladies' Miss. Circle, toward a L. Mp.....	11 00
Amherst, by A. S. Wilkins.....	20 20
Concord, A Friend.....	5 00
Exeter, Rev. Jacob Chapman, to const.	

Mrs. C. S. Andrews and Mrs. C. T. Howe L. Ms.....	\$100 00
Hillsboro, J. W. Hammond.....	1 00
Hinsdale, by F. Coombs.....	8 81
Manchester, Jane Eastman, to const.	
Rev. C. S. Murkland a L. M.....	50 00
New Ipswich, Proceeds of Fair, by Mrs. Charles Wheeler.....	12 00
Newmarket, T. H. Wiswall.....	10 00
Orford, Mrs. A. W. Newcomb's class of boys and girls toward a harness for the missionary horse.....	9 00
Pelham, Mrs. E. W. Tyler, toward a L. Mp.....	10 00

VERMONT—\$8.25.

Received by T. M. Howard, Treas. Vt. Dom. Miss. Soc.:	
East St. Johnsbury, Third.....	\$ 25

MASSACHUSETTS—\$13,649.01; of which Legacies, \$7,885.76.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	\$3,500 00
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By request of donors.....	\$91 00
By request of donors for Work in the West.....	\$91 49
Roxbury, Walnut Avenue Ladies' H. M. A. Aux., for Salary Fund.....	30 00
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Central Falls.....	\$55 71
Providence, Central Cong. Ch.....	150 00
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CONNECTICUT—\$11,779.20; of which
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:.....	
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"Willing Workers".....	5 00
Oberlin, First.....	75 00
Second.....	50 00
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Cleveland, First.....	16 00
Union.....	5 00
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Mrs. P. L. Alcott.....	200 00
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Plain.....	5 62
Toledo, Central Ch.....	7 39
Washington Street Ch.....	7 76
West Williamsfield.....	8 30
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Brecksville, by H. M. Rinear.....	21 30
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Dayton, Central Ch., by Rev. G. W. Belsey.....	14 35
Jackson, by Rev. S. P. Busler.....	4 60
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Fremont.....	1 37
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Michigan City.....	8 98
Mosaic Soc.....	8 38
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Hannibal.....	6 29
Y. P. S. C. E., Sen.....	1 25
Y. P. S. C. E., Jr.....	1 46
Kansas City, Olivet Ch.....	10 00
Lebanon.....	10 00
Meadville.....	15 00
Mine La Motte, Y. L. M. S.....	6 00
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Pilgrim.....	188 00
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Hamilton, by Rev. R. J. Mathews.....	21 65
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Allegan.....	1 00
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Farwell.....	5 00
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Owasso.....	8 00
Watervliet.....	5 55
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	\$15 53 \$175 44

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Iring, by Mrs. Emma Strong	2 75
Kalamazoo, First	50 00
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Onesima, by Rev. W. R. Yonker	6 00
Onondaga, First, by Rev. W. G. Preston	14 00
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Legacy, by S. A. Merrill	37 50
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L. M.	50 00
Union Ch.	46 18
Lowry Hill, Rev. E. M. Betts	10 00
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Afton	\$2 00

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Atkin	5 00
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Belgrade	3 80
Benson, S. S., \$1.40; Ladies, \$1	4 40
Brainerd, First	20 00
Cannon Falls	12 75
Claremont	6 00
Cottage Grove	11 70
Crookston	15 00
Custer, \$6.94; Mission Band, \$2.05	9 00
Dawson	2 76
Detroit	6 50
Dodge Center	10 00
Douglas, S. S.	5 00
Duluth, Pilgrim, \$81.60; S. S., \$5	86 60
Elk River	16 14
Excelsior	53 95
Faribault	105 87
Fairmont, \$7.81; S. S., \$3.69	11 50
Glenwood	5 75
Glyndon	7 00
Grand Meadow	5 00
Groveland, \$5.33, Mrs. J. McPherson, \$2.50	8 83
Hastv	5 00
Hawley	3 12
Hutchinson, \$5.35; King's Daughters, \$7.25	12 60
Lake Benton	6 50
Lake City	26 75
Madison, \$1.83; Mission Band, \$1.50	3 35
Mankato	17 00
Marshall	53 22
Mazeppa	16 00
Medford	2 00
Minneapolis, First	65 00
Como Avenue	27 00
Lowry Hill	14 90
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Y. L.	47 68
Pilgrim Mission Band	9 44
Silver Lake, \$14.50; S. S., \$3.05	17 55
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Montevideo	6 00
Morris	8 00
Morristown	1 00
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Ortonville	5 00
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Pelican Rapids	10 00
St. Charles	14 07
Plainview	75 82
St. Paul, Plymouth	10 00
Pacific	25 00
Park	
Anthony Park, \$19.34; King's Sons and Daughters, \$6.66	26 00
St. Cloud	15 48
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Sauk Rapids	12 00
Sleepy Eye	7 00
Stephen, Mrs. Barteau and Mrs. Whitney	2 00
Sterling	5 50

Stillwater, \$13.50; cattle	
Gleaners, \$1.00	\$16 50
Villard	11 00
Wabasha	8 00
Waseca	29 30
West Dora	7 50
West Duluth, \$; Miss. Band,	
\$2.50	7 50
Winona, First, for Salary	
Fund	130 79
S. S.	2 77
Worthington	20 00
Y. L.	6 50
Zumbrota	10 75

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Benson, by Rev. C. A. Ruddock	3 69
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Athol, Harvest Festival	20 00
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Diamond Springs, Harvest Festival	23 83
Douglass	5 00
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Elmdale, Harvest Festival	1 00
Fairview, Plymouth Ch., Harvest Festival	4 00
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Gaylord, Harvest Festival	6 00
Glen Elder, Mrs. F. A. Valette	1 00
Lawrence, Plymouth Ch., Harvest Festival	32 15
Lenora	8 20
Leona, Harvest Festival	7 25
S. S., Harvest Festival	3 20
Longton	2 83
McPherson, Harvest Festival	5 40
Mound City	12 00
Neosho Falls, Harvest Festival	7 97
Netawaka, Harvest Festival	3 24
Newton, Harvest Festival	20 64
Nickerson, Harvest Festival	3 50
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Ladies' Aid Soc.	5 00
Onaga, Harvest Festival	6 25
Osborne, Harvest Festival	10 15
Severy	1 69
Spring Hill, Harvest Festival	2 00
Strong City, Harvest Festival	4 00
Wallace, Harvest Festival	25 00
Westmoreland, Harvest Festival	2 30
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Maize, by Rev. J. Brunker	2 81
Mt. Hope and Haven, by Rev. F. Foster	7 50
Oneida, by Rev. T. S. Roberts	25 50
Smith Center, by Rev. J. Winslow	8 47
Wakefield, by Rev. W. C. Veazie	26 30

[ERRATUM: Hillsboro, \$1.50; Carrington, \$1.32; Melville, \$1.89. Erroneously acknowledged under Oregon in November number.]

NEBRASKA—\$288.83.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:

Alma	\$3 28
Avoca	4 00
Cambridge	32 00
Lincoln, Plymouth Ch.	4 00
	\$43 28

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Treas.:

Arlington	\$2 00
Arberville, S. S., for Child	
Miss	3 50
Ashland	12 25
Blair	2 00
Cambridge, S. S.	6 00
"Boys' Try Company"	2 00
Clark, S. S., for Child, Miss.	75
Columbus	6 50
Cowles, S. S., for Child, Miss.	7 09
Crete	20 00
Harvard	7 00
Lincoln First, to const. Mrs. Lura E. Leavitt a L. M.	50 00
Ulisses, S. S.	1 34
Victoria	4 00
Wahoo, S. S., for Child, Miss.	2 00
Waverly	4 00
Weeping Water	10 00
	\$158 34

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Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. G. E. Taylor.

Atsworth, by Rev. T. W. De Long	10 98
Blair, by G. A. Erikson	4 45
Carroll, by Rev. S. Jones	19 34
Clear Water, by Rev. S. C. Haskin	3 00
Culbertson, by Rev. A. Hodel	5 55
Greenfield, \$.93; Greenleaf, \$1.71, by Rev. W. S. Hampton	2 00
Hay Springs, by Rev. S. Deakin	3 64
Lincoln, German Ch., by Rev. J. Lich	4 00
Omaha, by Rev. C. S. Billings	12 50
Princeton, by Rev. M. E. Eversz	3 00
Silver Creek, by Rev. H. C. Halbersleben	3 71
Sutton and Stockham, by Rev. M. Treiber	5 09
	10 00

NORTH DAKOTA—\$164.27.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M. Fisher, Treas., in part to const.

Mrs. H. C. Simmons a L. M.	\$40 43
Caledonia	7 12
Cando	5 25
Cooperstown	3 50
Glen Ullin	2 50
Harwood	14 00
Mission Band	3 30

Bethel Ch.....	\$7 00
Mayville.....	4 00
	<hr/> \$87 10
Mayville, by Rev. G. Curtiss.....	8 00
New Rockford, by Rev. H. A. Brown..	2 50
North Dakota, Rev. S. F. Porter.....	66 67

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$133.22.

Ashton, \$9.79; Athol, \$10.74; La Prairie, \$20; Clyde, \$4.41.....	44 94
Carthage, by Rev. P. Hitchcock.....	12 53
Elk Point, by Rev. A. T. Lyman.....	27 10
Glenview, by Rev. M. Doty.....	3 75
Hot Springs (Black Hills), by Rev. E. E. Frame.....	5 00
La Grange, by Rev. D. B. Nichols.....	2 50
Meckling, by Rev. W. A. Lyman.....	1 00
Sioux Falls, First, by Tomlinson and Day.....	33 02
Springfield, Wanari, and Running Water, by Rev. C. Seccombe.....	3 38

UTAH—\$3.00.

Provo, by Rev. F. S. Forbes.....	3 00
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COLORADO—\$127.68.

Received by Rev. H. Sanderson:	
Avon.....	\$1 50
Gilman.....	1 85
Gore Creek.....	2 00
Red Cliff.....	3 80
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Woman's H. M. Union, Colo. and Wyo., Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas.	83 65
Denver, Boulevard Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. C. M. Sanders.....	28 88
Otis and Hyde, by Rev. G. Dungan.....	3 00
Seibert, Cope, and Arickaree, by Rev. D. H. Minich.....	3 0

NEVADA—\$5.00.

Reno, by Rev. T. Magill.....	5 00
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WYOMING—\$3.00.

Sheridan and Big Horn, by Rev. S. J. Jennings.....	3 00
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CALIFORNIA—\$263.42.

Adin and Alturas, by Rev. E. Hoskins.	2 25
Auburn, by Rev. R. M. Tunnell.....	15 00
Crockett, by Rev. L. M. Barber.....	2 50
Dehesa, by Rev. A. Bixby.....	5 00
Eagle Rock, by C. Brierley.....	6 00
Los Angeles, West End Ch., by Rev. E. Cash.....	5 00
Monrovia, by Rev. O. D. Crawford.....	10 00
Nordhoff, by Rev. C. S. Vaile.....	18 00
Oakland, Mrs. H. S. Goldsmith.....	1 00
Ocean View, by Rev. P. R. Adams.....	1 00
Perris, First, by Rev. C. H. Davis.....	26 77
San Diego, by Rev. G. S. Hall.....	10 90
San Francisco, Olivet Ch., by Rev. H. H. Cole.....	15 00
Santa Cruz, Ch., by Rev. J. H. Warren, D.D.....	50 00
Southern California, A Friend.....	100 00

OREGON—\$20.00.

Astoria, by Rev. G. C. Hall.....	5 00
Gaston and Hillside, by Rev. D. L. Fordney.....	10 00
Smyrna, by Rev. F. W. Parker.....	5 00

WASHINGTON—\$116.50.

Anacortes, W. J. Hagadorn.....	\$60 00
Big Creek, \$2.70; West Kittitas, \$12.85, by Rev. R. G. Hawn.....	15 5
Black Diamond, \$12; Aberdeen, \$5, by Rev. E. P. Tenney.....	17 00
Blaine, by Rev. S. Dailey.....	6 00
Kalama, First, by Rev. G. Baker.....	1 55
Ritzville and Endicott, by Rev. J. Koch.....	3 00
Spokane, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. F. V. Hoyt.....	2 10
Steilacoom, by Rev. L. W. Brintnall.....	7 00
Springdale and Chewelah, by Rev. J. B. Clark.....	4 00

CHINA—\$25.00.

Taiku, Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Clapp.....	25 00
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HOME MISSIONARY.....	134 80
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\$37,525 12*Donations of Clothing, etc.*

Albany, N. Y., W. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Miss Sarah L. White, box and cash.....	\$231 60
Berkshire, N. Y., Ladies' Aid Soc., by Miss Hattie B. Johnson, box and freight.....	69 91
Brooklyn, N. Y., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Tompkins Ave. Ch., by Annie A. Graves, barrel.....	128 00
Chicago, Ill., Ladies' Soc. of South Ch., by Mrs. R. O. Cassell, box.....	188 62
Concord, N. H., Ladies' Social Circle of South Ch., by Sara J. Hammond, two barrels.....	201 26
Derry, N. H., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Lydia A. Campbell, barrel.....	77 00
East Derry, N. H., First Ch., by Mrs. Martha Day, box and cash.....	39 30
East Orange, N. J., Ladies' Aid Soc. of First Ch., by M. H. McKay, barrel, package and freight.....	144 88
Ferrisburgh, Vt., Mrs. Lydia Carpenter, package.....	
Homer, N. Y., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. H. A. Bennett, barrel.....	43 68
Kingston, N. H., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. D. W. Morgan, barrel.....	
Lynde, N. H., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. D. A. Grant, box.....	60 00
Marietta, O., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. Wm. G. Way, box.....	100 00
Morrisville, Vt., Ladies' M. Soc., Y. P. S. C. E., and "Clover Blossoms," by Mrs. Harriet L. Fisk, one half barrel.....	40 00
New York City, Mr. W. C. Simmons, Berkeley School, package.....	
Norwich, Ct., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. E. P. Gardner, barrel.....	68 00
Plainville, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., through W. H. M. U. of Ct., by Mrs. Asa Blackeslee, barrel and freight.....	97 00
Pontiac, Mich., Ladies' Miss. Circle, by Mrs. J. Fitzpatrick, barrel.....	31 64
Salisbury, Ct., Teachers' Assoc., package.....	
Simsbury, Ct., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. J. L. Tomlinson, two boxes and cash.....	119 24
Terre Haute, Ind., W. H. M. Soc., by Mrs. D. T. Brown, box and cash.....	29 00
Tolland, Ct., H. M. Soc., by Mrs. S. B. Agard, two barrels and freight.....	85 50
Vergennes, Vt., Andrew Ross, package.....	
West Orford, N. H., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by	

Mrs. H. W. Sanborn, barrel.
Wethersfield, Ct., Ladies' Aid Soc., by
Miss Mary Southworth, box, barrel,
and cash. \$145 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSION- ARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the New Hampshire Home Mission-
ary Society from July 1 to October 1, 1891. L.
D. STEVENS, Treas.*

Amherst.....	\$2 50
Andover.....	5 00
Barnstead Center.....	5 14
Barnstead Parade.....	6 75
Berlin Mills.....	19 25
Charlestown.....	10 00
Conway.....	10 00
Dunbarton.....	25 86
Franconia.....	15 00
Franklin.....	20 00
Great Falls, First.....	20 00
Gilsum.....	6 00
Goffstown, \$19.02; A Friend, \$5.....	24 02
Gorham.....	8 90
Goshen.....	1 47
Hampton.....	14 44
Hillsborough Center.....	10 52
Hudson, \$6; Caldwell Buttrick, \$10.....	16 00
Jaffrey.....	21 46
Keene, First.....	100 00
Lee.....	7 00
Lisbon, First.....	13 24
Lyndeborough.....	13 64
Manchester, Ladies' Benev. Assoc. of Franklin Street Ch.....	20 00
Mason.....	6 26
Meriden.....	10 10
Nashua, First.....	51 65
New Ipswich.....	2 72
North Hampton.....	20 33
Northwood, \$10; S. S., \$17.....	27 10
Penacook.....	10 00
Pelham, \$25; for A. H. M. S., \$45.....	70 00
Shelburn.....	5 80
South Merrimack, S. S.....	11 00
Stoddard.....	6 00
Surrey.....	2 80
Union.....	15 00
Wakefield.....	10 60
Wentworth.....	4 00
Wilmot.....	2 14
N. H. Cent Institution and H. M. Union, Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.....	1,654 64
	\$2,306 13

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSION- ARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Mission-
ary Society in October. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER,
Treas.*

Andover, South, by George Gould, on account for A. H. M. S.....	\$250 00
Ashby, by C. F. Hayward.....	24 10
Ladies' Charitable Soc., by Mrs. F. W. Wright, special.....	15 00
Athol Center, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Charles Stevens.....	23 73
Bank Balances, Interest on.....	43 76
Belmont, Waverley, by William Jewett.....	26 36
Beverly, Dane St., by Henry Woodbury.....	82 00
Boston, A Friend.....	1 50
A Friend, "J.".....	10 00

"Belfast," for A. H. M. S.....	\$15 00
Boylston, by F. J. Leighton.....	44 59
Charlestown, Winthrop, by George S. Poole.....	111 69
Dorchester, A Friend, "W. A. D.".....	1 00
Mt. Vernon, by D. K. Craig.....	392 48
Park St., by E. F. Brackett.....	281 15
Roxbury, Eliot, by Timothy Smith.....	141 39
Highlands, by J. W. Hall.....	11 25
Immanuel, by F. O. White.....	100 00
West, South Evan., by Miss M. B. Pearce.....	11 10
Three ladies, by Henry T. Abbe, for back salaries.....	70 60
Boxford, West, by Rev. C. L. Hubbard.....	15 70
Braintree, First, by A. B. Keith.....	12 93
South, by Rev. E. O. Dyer.....	21 60
Bridgewater, East, Estate of Miss Mary Whitmarsh, by E. S. Whitmarsh, Ex.....	211 79
Brookfield, by J. M. Grover.....	20 43
Brookline, Harvard, by James H. Shap- leigh.....	103 70
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, by N. H. Hol- brook.....	40 90
Carter, Sabra, Fund, Income of.....	25 00
Chelsea, Central, by Azel Ames.....	47 17
First, by H. W. Jeffers.....	22 00
Dana, by Rev. J. G. Willis.....	2 23
Danvers, Maple St., Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss Belle A. Tapley, for A. H. M. S.....	10 00
Dartmouth, South, by Rev. Thomas Beil Easthampton, First, by W. H. Wright, for two L. Ms. to be named.....	88 39
Eayrs, E. P., Fund, Income of.....	46 50
Essex Co. Conf., Peabody Session, by Rev. T. F. Waters.....	104 35
Gardner, First, by Daniel H. Rand, to const. Rev. Frank E. Ramsdell and Mrs. E. O. Drake L. Ms.....	60 00
Grafton, North, Estate of Mrs. Hannah S. Puffer, by Wm. Woodward, Treas.....	1,000 00
Hale, S. W., Fund, Income of.....	62 50
Hamden Benevolent Association, by Chas. Marsh, Treas.....	
Ludlow, with prev. gifts, to const. Irene T. Jones a L. M.....	\$15 71
Springfield, First.....	325 77
Hope.....	58 19
Olivet.....	37 00
Park.....	40 50
South.....	87 96
Westfield, First.....	6 94
West Springfield, First.....	35 00
	606 97
Hanover, Four Corners, by H. B. Bar- stow.....	4 50
Hardwick, Calvinistic, by H. De Witt.....	4 10
Harvard, by J. W. Bacon.....	49 25
Hinsdale, by C. J. Kittredge.....	8 31
Ipswich, First, by N. R. Farley.....	50 00
South, by Rev. T. F. Waters.....	75 00
Coburn, Frank S., Estate of, by Rev. T. F. Waters.....	300 00
Kingston, Mayflower, add'l, by Mrs. M. H. Peckham.....	25 00
Lancaster, "Bes".....	20 00
Lawrence, Lawrence St., by Rev. W. E. Wolcott, for local French work.....	50 00
South, by Rev. E. A. Chase, for French Prot. College.....	11 10
Trinity, by W. E. Rowell, for local French work.....	25 00
Leicester, First, by J. C. Watson.....	75 54
S. S., by Walter J. Denny.....	22 64
Leverett, First, by S. K. Field, for A. H. M. S.....	27 70
Lowell, John St., by William Morey.....	31 90
Marlboro, A Friend.....	5 00
Medford, West, by J. H. Gerrish.....	7 64
Milton, Field, Mrs. E. E. V.....	10 00
Newburyport, Estate of C. H. Coffin, on account, by Francis E. Coffin and A. D. Bosson, Adms. W. W. A.....	400 00
North, by J. B. Creasey.....	73 23

New Salem, by Rev. J. T. Closson.....	\$9 51
Newton Center, A Friend, "D.".....	50 00
First, by F. H. Scudder.....	156 63
Newton, Eliot, by D. E. Snow.....	140 00
Norfolk Co. Conf., Quincy Session, by C. W. Carter, Treas.....	42 47
Y. P. S. C. E., Wm. E. Mann, by Mrs. Wm. Carr, special, for Rev. J. Homer Parker, Kingfisher, Oklahoma.....	5 00
Northbridge, Whitinsville, Extra-cent-a-day Band, by Mrs. A. C. Whittin.....	17 08
North Brookfield, First, by John S. Cooke, for A. H. M. S.....	82 22
Union Mrs. D. W. Knight and Mrs. S. Bothwell, by Hiram Knight.....	3 40
Miller, Dea. James, by H. Knight.....	10 00
Miller, Mrs. Juna A., by H. Knight.....	10 00
Northfield, Trin., by Miss M. T. Dutton.....	61 00
Orleans, by J. Higgins.....	5 5
Reading, by S. G. B. Pease.....	25 40
Reed, Dwight, Fund, Income of.....	125 00
Rochester, North, by G. Randall.....	4 62
Salem, South, by Sam'l Johns n. Second, to const. Rev. Jas. F. Brodie a L. M. of A. H. M. S., and M. H. M. S.....	368 45
Somerville, East, Stone, Mrs. Sarah M., Franklin St., S. S., by G. A. Southworth, for Rev. A. A. Cressman, Wahoo, Neb.....	50 00
West, Day St., by E. F. Phillips.....	15 00
Taft, Rev. Rufus M., Proceeds of services at Hyannis and W. Yarmouth, net.....	16 46
Taunton, East, by Rev. Chas. A. Perry.....	5 40
Townsend, Orth., by J. W. Eastman.....	11 76
Waltham, Trin., by T. W. Temple.....	47 29
Washington, D. C., Rice, Mrs. T. O., for back salaries.....	10 00
Westbrook, Me., Ross, Martha J., for western work.....	150 00
Westport, Pacific Union S. S., by J. C. Macomber.....	11 66
Whitcomb, David, Fund, Income of.....	206 00
Whitin, J. C., Fund, Income of.....	362 50
Whitman, by W. E. Vining.....	58 13
Winchendon, First, by C. J. Rice.....	28 20
Winchester, An untamed friend.....	12 60
First, D. N. Skilling's annuity, by C. E. Conant.....	100 00
Woman's H. M. Assoc., by Treas. and Asst. Treas.....	575 00
Worcester, Central, by E. H. Sanford.....	216 22
Piedmont, by Chas. F. Marble, for A. H. M. S.....	40 00
Branch S. S., Taft Thank-offering, by L. Pratt.....	15 60
Plymouth, Ladies' Aux. Miss. Soc., by Mary S. Minott.....	26 00

HOME MISSIONARY \$8,444 77
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\$8,468 57

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in October. Miss NATHALIE LORD, Home Secretary.

Boston, Friends, barrel.....	\$135 99
Bradford, H. M. Soc., by Mrs. S. S. Bird, barrel and box.....	160 00
Dorchester, Village Ch., H. M. Soc., by Mrs. F. M. Swan, barrel and freight.....	101 17
Holbrook, by Mrs. H. N. Clark, box.....	16 00
Hopkinton, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by S. B. Crooks, barrel and freight.....	86 40
Linnenbeig, by Mrs. Susan B. Brown, barrel and freight.....	94 86
Maynard, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Joel Abbott, barrel.....	62 12

Medway, by Mrs. Robert Bell, barrel and freight.....	\$62 04
Middleboro, First Ch., "Cheerful Helpers," by Mrs. M. S. Carleton, box.....	31 53
Natick, Social Circle, by Mrs. C. W. Barks, barrel.....	64 00
Newburyport, Prospect St. Ch., H. M. Soc., by Miss A. S. Edwards, barrel and freight.....	167 86
Orange, Ladies' H. M. S., by Mrs. W. M. Pomeroy, barrel and freight.....	69 87
Philipston, by Mrs. G. M. Chaffin, box.....	78 47
Futnam, Ct., W. H. M. Soc., by Miss Hattie E. Clark, barrel and freight.....	74 40
So. Amherst, W. H. M. Soc., by Mrs. E. T. Darling, box.....	45 00
Walpole, Ladies' Ben. Soc., by Mrs. E. P. Stetson, barrel.....	120 00
Waltham, Ladies' Ben. Soc., by Rev. E. M. Fullerton, two barrels.....	85 50
Webster, First Ch., Ladies' Ben. Assoc., by Bessie M. Clarke, box.....	13 42
Westboro, Ladies' Sewing Circle, by Emily W. Newcomb, package and freight.....	12 20
Westminster, Ladies' Sewing Circle, by Mrs. S. C. Warner, barrel.....	50 00
Winchendon, Ladies' Ben. Soc., by Mrs. C. C. Parker, box.....	162 50
Ladies' Evan. O'ign, by Mrs. C. C. Parker, box.....	40 00
Winchester, Young Ladies' Miss. Union, by Mrs. W. D. Middleton, barrel and freight.....	86 00

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in October, 1891. WARD W. JACOBS, Treas.

Ashford, Westford, Rev. O. Bisen, personal, \$6; by Dea. C. W. Brett, add'l, \$3.45.....	\$9 45
Bolton, by Charles N. Loomis.....	5 61
Coventry, Second, by Andrew Kingsbury, add'l.....	1 00
East Haven, by Lottie E. Street.....	27 50
Glastonbury, South Glastonbury, Ch. and S. S., by H. D. Hae.....	6 55
Granby, First, by M. A. Colton.....	4 35
South, by C. P. Loomis.....	6 73
Hartford, A Friend.....	1 50
Litchfield, Milton, by Rev. Geo. J. Harrison.....	5 00
Madison, "Cent Society," by Mrs. William Wood.....	40 00
Miantown, South, by G. A. Craig.....	40 55
Montville, Mohegan, by Rev. Geo. W. Crabb.....	3 00
New Britain, First, by A. N. Lewis.....	20 00
New Haven, Howard Ave., by Rev. W. J. Mutch.....	20 69
Taylor, by A. A. Townsend.....	8 00
New London, First, by H. C. Learned.....	41 65
Second, by E. H. Wheeler.....	350 00
North Branford, by Charles Page.....	33 14
North Canaan, Pilgrim, by J. B. Reed.....	11 01
Plainfield, by Rev. H. T. Arnold.....	15 52
Preston, by William Morse.....	16 50
Ridgefield, First, by John F. Holmes.....	22 81
Southington, by J. F. Pratt.....	15 96
Stamford, Long Ridge, by E. S. Gifford.....	15 25
Thomaston, by P. Darrow, \$13.25; for A. H. M. S., from a Friend, \$100.....	113 25
Thompson, by Dea. M. F. Towne, \$21.05; for A. H. M. S., \$21.04.....	42 09
Windsor, Poquonock, by L. R. Lord.....	36 19

Windsor Locks, by J. H. Hayden	\$65 25
Woo stock, Swedish, by C. A. Hagstram	5 10
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.	
By Miss Ellen R. Camp, Secty, Meriten, First Cong., by Mrs. Krastus Hubbard, Mrs. W. H. Catlin	10 00
	\$1,173 45

Boxes.

Hartford, First, "Ladies' Association," a box	\$90 00
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ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in September, 1891. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Albion	\$5 75
Bowen	20 00
Buda	20 32
Chesterfield	34 68
Chicago, Warren Ave. Ch., Jun. Miss. Soc	6 41
Chillicothe	6 25
Farmington, J. W. Newell	25 00
Geneseo, Mrs. A. E. Steele	10 00
Genoa Junction, Wisconsin	5 50
Gray's Lake	1 50
Healey	30 91
La Grange, Woman's Miss. Soc	5 10
La Moille	10 00
Marine	9 50
Mendon, Mrs. Jeanette Fowler	50 00
Ottawa, of which Walter B. Titus \$25.	98 00
Payson, of which Edward Seymour \$75.	90 00
Providence	25 00
Richmond	1 82
Riley, Rev. S. D. Horine	1 00
Roseville, S. S.	5 31
Stark	35 28
Sterling, S. S.	4 59
Sycamore, of which John Black \$50, and Pledge Signer \$25	75 00
Wilmette	27 80
Wyanet	25 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E. Malby, Treas	\$200 00
Canton	23 75
Chicago, Leavitt St.	9 88
Garden Prairie	4 30
Oak Park	91 25
Payson	10 00
Pittsfield	30 00
Rockford, Second	47 65
Springfield, First	17 50
	437 33

"R." Thomasboro	10 00
A Friend	10 00
Thank-offering	50 00
A Friend	10 00
Rev. R. W. Purdue	10 00
For Evangelistic support	117 32
	\$1,275 07

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in September, 1891. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Alpha, Thank-offering	\$24 96
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Ames	\$15 20
Bassett	5 55
Belmond	7 50
Britt	4 00
Castana	11 00
Cedar Rapids, Bethany Ch	10 20
Central City, S. S., Birthday-offering	3 30
Des Moines, North Park	10 00
Dubnque, German Friendship Soc	15 00
Elliott	14 00
Emmitsburg	15 32
Fairfield	7 34
Gowrie	18 63
Hinton	3 40
Humboldt	5 00
Ionia	10 41
Ionia	1 70
Perkins	37 75
Prairie City	1 75
Prairie Bell neighborhood	84 50
Reinbeck	4 37
Rockford	2 00
Rodney	5 00
Sioux City, German	2 10
Smithland	10 00
Stacyville	5 09
Victor	1 09
Washta	6 09
Wesley, Swedish	50 09
A Friend for Castana Ch.	1 09
Des Moines, Geo. Hanger	4 25
Moorland, Friends	50 00
A Friend for Moville Ch.	2 00
Wells, O. H. Greer	5 09
A Friend, for Evangelist, B. C. T.	5 09

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J.

Nicholson, Treas.	
Alden, W. M. S.	\$3 40
Rear Grove, Miss Ada Tice	1 00
Bellevue, Y. P. S. C. E.	3 61
Chester Center, L. M. S.	2 00
Council Bluffs, W. M. S.	10 25
Davenport, Y. L. M. Circle	22 25
Des Moines, W. M. S.	14 67
Genoa Bluffs, W. M. S.	3 00
Grinnell, W. H. M. U.	6 74
Lewis, W. M. S.	5 00
Lyons, Y. P. S. C. E.	2 15
Mason City, W. M. S.	11 25
Medland, Ladies	5 00
Miles, W. M. S.	6 09
Monroir, W. M. S.	11 00
New Hampton, W. M. S.	7 25
Sabula, Mrs. H. H. Wood	3 00
Sheldon, W. H. M. U.	5 25
Shenandoah	2 90
Sioux City, First, L. M. S., Thank-offering	30 80
Stacyville, W. M. S.	9 40
Dime Fund	75
Toledo, W. M. S.	2 45
	\$168 68

\$616 91

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged and appropriated	\$59,788 49
Connecticut, Bridgeport, \$12.46; Enfield, \$10; Kent, \$2; Norwich, \$12.	84 46
Massachusetts, Granville, \$3; Roxbury, \$30; W. Newton, \$4; W. H. M. A., \$30	567 00
Minnesota, Winona	13 79
	\$40,450 74

**TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS
OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
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New Hampshire.....	\$2,105 14		Indiana.....	\$243 98	
Minnesota.....	3,654 22		Southern California.....	45 55	
Massachusetts.....			Vermont.....	1,015 95	
Rhode Island.....	1,633 57		Colorado.....	522 04	
Maine.....	1,329 17		Wyoming.....		
Michigan.....	1,451 88		Georgia.....	29 65	
Kansas.....	143 86		Alabama.....		
Ohio.....	983 59		Mississippi.....		
New York.....	1,110 11		Louisiana.....	1 00	
Wisconsin.....	136 57		Arkansas.....		
North Dakota.....	116 39		Kentucky.....		
Oregon.....	350 15	5 66	Tennessee.....		
Washington.....			North Carolina.....		
Northern Idaho.....	74 15		Texas.....		
South Dakota.....	118 56		Montana.....	58 50	
Connecticut.....	648 84		Pennsylvania.....	32 00	
Missouri.....	446 88		Oklahoma.....		
Illinois.....	1,276 97		New Jersey.....		
Iowa.....	1,792 11		Dist. Columbia.....	393 67	
California.....			Maryland.....		
Nebraska.....	698 88		Virginia.....		
Florida.....	223 25		Utah.....		

Total....\$21,486 63

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5.
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6.
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7.
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8.
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9.
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10.

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11.

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Treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 Park St., Port-
land.

12.

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ern Washington.
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13.

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14.

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15.

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16.

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17.

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18.

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land.
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19.

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trice.
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20.

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21.

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22.

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23.

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bury.

24.

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rado.
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Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.
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ming.

25.

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26.

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27.

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25.

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30.

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31.

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32.

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33.

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34.

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35.

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36.

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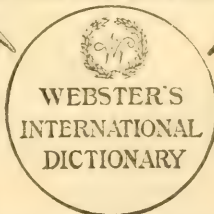
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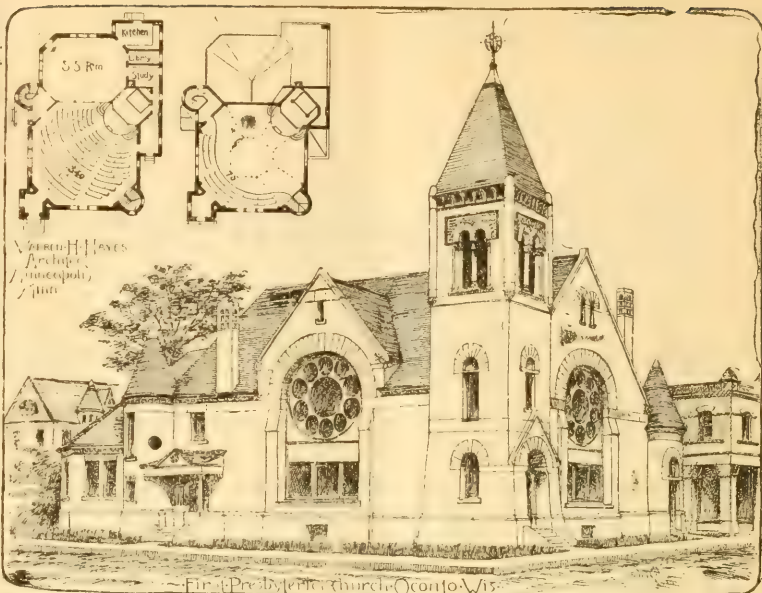
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- Denomination and size of contiguous congregations.
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- Of what local church is he a member?
- Of what Ministerial Association?
- The number of persons composing his family.
- Total amount of salary proposed.
- Amount pledged by the people and how secured.
- Has he, also, the use of a parsonage?
- Is aid expected from any other source?
- The least amount that will suffice from the A. H. M. S.
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- Will less probably be needed next year?
- Amount contributed to the Society last year. How raised.
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- Additional statements concerning the conditions, prospects, and wants of the field.
- Date of the desired commission.

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“A MAN is called selfish, not for pursuing his own good, but for neglecting his neighbor’s.”

“THERE is very little that we do in the way of helping our neighbors that does not come back in blessings on ourselves.”

“THE real skepticism of the age is not doubt of the historical truth of Christianity, but loss of faith in its vitality.”

“As a handful of quicksilver flung to the earth breaks into a hundred separate globules, each globule reflecting a full-orbed sun, so, though by disruptions and revolutions and reformations the Church has been broken into a hundred sects, each sect may hold in the bosom of its faith a full-orbed Christ.”

“THE Spirit is agitating society. The impulses are not all in one direction. There is a return from the farthest shore. There is a going and a coming of missionaries and missionary influence, which is a sure precursor of the time when the people shall all be righteous.

“OUR foreign missionaries have shown us the necessity of caring for the neglected in our own land, while they labor in the uttermost parts of the earth. They have shown us that we must hold America and Europe for Christ, while they are conquering Asia and Africa.

“WE seem to be living in the times spoken of by the prophet Daniel, when many were to run to and fro and knowledge be increased. In former days there was a going forth, a running fro simply. The cause of Christ progressed; but the defeats in the rear were great, as well as the victories at the front.

“NOW there is a going and a coming, a running to as well as fro, and thus ‘knowledge is increased,’ knowledge of methods and of possibilities—a knowledge that cheers and strengthens. This means the coming of the Kingdom; and it is another of the reflex benefits of Foreign Missions.”

A HOME MISSIONARY MEMORY.

BY MRS. W. W. DUMM, HARMAN, COLO.

INSTEAD of emulating Edward Bellamy's famous example in "Looking Backward," let us face a present issue, and consider briefly the need of developing the Bump of Memory on the spiritual cranium of some of our EX-HOME MISSIONARY CHURCHES. Professors Fowler and Wells inform us that a perfect head is one harmoniously developed—that is, with no one faculty rounded at the expense of another.

Now, there are indications that some of our stirring and independent young churches are getting strong in the bump of Acquisitiveness,—Home Expenditures and Home Enlargements,—with a corresponding subsidence in the outline of the bump Benevolence,—especially as to Home Missions. Assuredly, the spirit of aggressive home work is an admirable one. What pastor would not pray for a "double portion" of it, provided that it maintain its proper relation to other interests and obligations.

I wish to call attention to those churches which were cradled by the American Home Missionary Society, but, in the first flush of independent life, have grown neglectful of their foster-parent. Prosperity has been succeeded by insularity and introspection. Should this diagnosis of the case prove correct, the remedy is not hard to find; neither is it a bitter potion to the taste—though it should not be administered in homeopathic doses.

The remedy consists in the cultivation of a wide-awake, grateful Home Missionary Memory.

This is an easier task for us, whose past casts so short a shadow behind us, than for the New England church, and yet she has been, not only self-supporting, but aggressively missionary in spirit—establishing gospel outposts along the ever-receding line of the "Far West" for half a century or more. We do not need a microscope of extra power to see our past.

For instance, of our Denver churches only one is a decade old, and eleven have been organized within ten years. New Mexico was in the Union thirty-two years before her first Congregational church was organized. To most of our churches might be applied the reproachful language of the highly respectable Littimer to David Copperfield: "You are young, sir,—very young."

Let us look at a case or two which a Home Missionary Memory might resurrect. The details may not be precisely what *your* memory would supply, but kindred in many particulars, nevertheless. A town springing up around some manufacturing or commercial interest. People of

many nationalities living side by side. A day school enrolling a hundred scholars. Saloons crowding thickly in. No church, no pastor, no one to gather the children into Sunday-school on the Lord's Day. There are a few Christians, perhaps, from far-away Vermont, or Maine; but they left their church letters—together with their hearts—back in the old home when they came West twenty years ago. It is a spiritual desert. God sends hither a few earnest souls, living branches of the True Vine, who yearn over the community. But what can they do? Their hearts are fuller than their pocket-books. They cannot support a pastor or equip a Sunday-school. Thank God that there is an expedient to save that place from American heathenism. The American Home Missionary Society comes to share their difficulties and vicissitudes, to supplement their meager funds with sufficient to give them a leader. So the work is established. It prospers. After a time the real estate boom comes to a halt; the town stops growing. It is not dead, but sleeping. The church is not yet self-supporting. The American Home Missionary Society stands by it four or six or eight years, refusing new and promising fields in order to be faithful to this. What a debt of gratitude is accumulating against the little church. At last the goal of self-support is reached. The first year the parent Society receives a substantial token of love. Next year the offering is smaller, somehow. And after a time it dwindles to a pittance compared to the ability of that people, because they are absorbed in building a church. When this has been accomplished and they are again free to remember the Society to which they owe their existence, it occurs to them to put a pipe organ into the church, or stained glass windows, modeled by a direct descendant of Michael Angelo, or some other laudable—only selfish—home enterprise.

Is this right and just? Is it Christian? Another home missionary church is more favorably located, and with comparatively little help becomes independent long before the other church can stand alone. This one is a power; prosperous, aggressive; not from greater ability or sanctity, not from any inherent superiority, but by virtue of its excellent location it outstripped the other. Is its debt of home missionary gratitude proportionately smaller? Nay, verily! These are the very churches on which the parent Society must depend if it pushes on the work, and too often they are the ones to turn deaf ears to the call. The Master said, "Freely ye have received, freely give." If the Society, freed from financial bondage, could give her strength wholly to directing the work that would be her "Emancipation Day" indeed! It is impossible to remember such histories as these in our own immediate past, without awakening sympathy with other struggling churches and with their benefactor, the Parent Society.

A Home Missionary Memory is especially necessary and desirable

just now. The Bible says "there is a time for everything under the sun." Evidently the time to bivouac and burnish up the armor is not when the enemy is pressing hotly on us. Before the Society at the present time is an emergency. Between new fields asking for the Gospel, and new workers asking to be sent, she stands—a mournful gesture of her empty pocket-book—the only possible answer to either. The American Home Missionary Society is indebted up to date, \$20,000 for missionaries' salaries in arrears, besides \$125,000 to the banks for borrowed money paid on back salaries. Dr. Josiah Strong says that "money is power in the concrete." Then what is debt? Alas, a heavier loan to carry than was the "dead albatross about the neck of the Ancient Mariner."

A final consideration to add to our Missionary Memory is the thought of the future. Churches, like individuals, grow old. With one, as with the other, age *may* mean loss of powers—decline. A prosperous young church may, in the course of human events, sometimes fall again to the care of the American Home Missionary Society.

Fifty years ago nothing seemed more unlikely in New England than that those flourishing churches should ever decline. Pastors and missionaries, professors of theology and Christian colonies issued forth from them. They were giants in those days. Now death and emigration have wrought their work. At the present time in Vermont, Bible readers from Mr. Moody's Training School, doing missionary work among the Swedish new-comers who have settled on the deserted farms of the church fathers, are as truly missionaries as they would be in Zanzibar. Whether any such revolution lies before us, we cannot tell. But this we know,—the present is ours—ours in which to win this great West for Christ. Let us, by all means at hand—by the Holy Spirit to quicken and enlarge our hearts, by a Home Missionary Memory to inspire our deepest gratitude and sympathy—do our small part as unto the Lord Christ.—*Read at the Annual Meeting of the Colorado W. H. M. U., 1891.*

MESSAGES FROM THE COAL MINE MISSION.

BY REV. JAMES HAYES, COAL BLUFF, IND.

OCTOBER 13, 1891.

I KNOW that your ear is at the telephone to catch some tidings of the Coal Mine Mission.

We have decided to dedicate our Reading Room October 25, when Mrs. Ward's church in South Dakota is to be dedicated. We thought the two buildings, which are the outgrowth of the Woman's Meeting at Saratoga, should be dedicated on the same day.

Mrs. Hayes has had a dreadful congestive chill. We were afraid at the time we were going to lose her. But, thank God, she is given back to us.

What do you think of a pastor who recently presented Home Missions in this fashion: "Well, my brethren, this is our Home Missionary Day. Some of your farms are under mortgage and some of you are in debt. Your record for Home Missions has been pretty good in the past. Now I think \$50 is all you ought to give." The offering was taken and \$25 was the result. One of his people said, "I don't believe in such tame work! Such a spirit as that will take root fast enough, and the next thing we shall find is that we can't pay our pastor's salary."

While we are dedicating the Coal Mine Mission Reading Room we shall pray for those who are dedicating Mrs. Ward's new church at Les-terville, South Dakota.

OCTOBER 29, 1891.

The Reading Room is now a fact! I am now writing this letter in it. It is a nice large room, 20x30, joined on to the rear of the church. It has two doors, one of which opens into the church. The other is the main entrance. It is nicely painted outside; but finished up inside with hard pine and oil. We have also partly furnished it. A "No. 8" cook-stove is to answer all purposes for socials and heating. We have chairs and extension tables, which also serve all purposes. Two large electric-burner lamps light the room splendidly. When the carpenter drove the last nail on Saturday he said, "This is the best room in the town!" and it is true. But best of all, the building is paid for, and part of the furniture. There are some odds and ends to straighten up yet, and as fast as I can I am doing it.

The young people gave an entertainment last Monday night, and it was a grand success. My daughter Emma, with Mrs. Hayes, got it up. They charged the boys and girls a nickel each, and the men and women a dime admission, and realized \$8.45. The Miners' Male Quartet furnished the music. The principal feature of the evening was a Temperance Entertainment by the young people. They showed how a happy family may be led to ruin through drink, and how that scattered, ruined family may be restored to happiness again through temperance and the grace of God. It was very touching. I saw the tears running down the cheeks of some old drunkards. One came up to me trying to hide his tears saying, "Mr. Hayes, let us sing, for a closing song, 'God be with you till we meet again.'" Well, the entertainment was a good temperance sermon. I was very much pleased.

As I write this the tables are surrounded by boys, and this is the night the young people meet in their temperance work. Next week they

will move their meetings here. To the dear people who have so nobly contributed to this work I owe a debt of gratitude that I cannot pay, but He whose work this is will richly reward them all.

OCTOBER 30, 1891.

It is with feelings of devout gratitude to our Heavenly Father that I write saying the Reading Room at Coal Bluff is DEDICATED, and ready to do its good work. Superintendent Curtis promised to be here on Sunday, but late Saturday evening a telegram came, saying unexpected business kept him away. We had all been working hard, and the men whom we employed stood by me to the last and finished it. No accident, no dissatisfaction—all harmonious and peaceful. The young people gave the church an extra rub. It did look nice, and as we were complimenting each other over our success, the telegram came. We were bitterly disappointed. But Sunday came. The Blessed Promise was the theme of our sermons for the day, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." We had a good day. At night, after the sermon, I read the inclosed paper.

I have had a dozen cards printed. I send you a copy. I have put them in the depot, post-office, and in all the stores in town.

The Temperance Society was again ready to disband. The parties of whom they had rented the hall raised the rent, so as to make it hard for them to pay it. I find our saloon-keepers are the power behind. But the Reading Room opens its doors and bids them welcome. The blessing that will flow into the hearts and homes of this people through this enterprise will be great indeed. Please say to the dear friends who have so nobly contributed to this work we do sincerely thank them, and owe them a debt of gratitude which we cannot pay. But they have their reward in the life that now is, and by and by in that nobler life, which is to come.

NOVEMBER 19, 1891.

A new street-lamp, the gift of the Boys' Mission Band in a Presbyterian church in Canandaigua, N. Y., now lights the way to the Reading Room. The secretary of this Mission Band says that these Canandaigua boys have been reading *The Home Missionary*. It is a splendid lamp, worthy of the boys and their good work. The tables in the Reading Room to-night are filled with boys, eagerly reading whatever they can get. They love to come. You hear it on the street: "Let's go to the Reading Room to-night, boys," and these are the very ones I wish to reach. Please send me material for the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Rally for November 22.

READ BY MR. HAYES AT THE DEDICATION OF THE COAL MINE READING ROOM
IN COAL BLUFF, IND., OCT., 25, 1891.

My Dear Brethren:

In presenting the financial statement of the Reading Room which is now completed and furnished for the enjoyment, happiness, and benefit of yourselves and your families, I bring you into fellowship with some of the noblest and most beautiful Christian workers that it has been my privilege to become acquainted with. I need not assure you that every gift has come freighted with earnest prayer that all who enter here may not only in the quiet evening hours be better prepared for the opportunities and privileges of the life that now is, but also of that which is to come.

It has been my desire, from the first day that I came among you, to plant a Reading Room in this town. But the organization of the churches, and building the houses of prayer here and elsewhere, has called for large gifts from Christian people who are always giving, and who love to give, and we had to wait for the proper time. When a kind friend of ours was here, among many other things, we told her how anxious we were to build a Reading Room here. She said, "Let us make it a subject of prayer." So, my brethren, it began by seeking guidance and direction from above. This year it was made possible for your pastor to attend the great meeting of the American Home Missionary Society in Saratoga last June. There I saw the workers, heard their wonderful words, and caught some of their inspiration and enthusiasm. It seemed to be the burden of their souls, to "Save America to save the world." The Woman's Meeting was said to be the climax of the convention. Everything seemed to move as though guided by the Spirit of God. The speakers told of the sunlight, the shadows, and the great harvest of immortal souls in their respective fields. The great audience wanted to catch every word, that they might know just what the Lord was doing. At this meeting there was a thank-offering of nearly \$350 taken up to help build a house of worship for a little church in South Dakota, which Mrs. Joseph Ward had gathered and of which she told us. That church is being dedicated to the worship of Almighty God to-day. How appropriate that these two noble enterprises, the outgrowth of the Woman's Meeting, should be set apart to their noble and sacred work in one day. The Spirit of God is here, and the spirits and prayers of all represented in this building are here also, and on them, every one, we pray God's blessing to rest.

And now I present the financial statement of the voluntary gifts which have come to me, and the expenditure as it has been laid out; and I only wish our friends could see this cosy Reading Room, which is an honor to all who have been engaged in the good work.

Dear brethren and sisters, let us pray daily that God will bless this enterprise, and use it for his own glory in the salvation of souls in the Coal Mine Mission.

COPY OF THE PRINTED CARD.

COAL BLUFF READING ROOM.

You are invited to spend your evenings in this READING ROOM,
which is open,

Mornings..... 9:30 to 12 o'clock.

Afternoons..... 2 " 5 "

Evenings..... 6:30 " 9 "

The Girls' and Young Women meet on Friday evenings.

The Temperance Society Thursday evenings.

The other evenings, and Sunday mornings, are for

MEN AND BOYS.

YOU ARE WELCOME.

JAMES H. HAYES. *Manager.*

READING ROOM ACCOUNT.

May, 1891,	A young man at Perth.....	\$1 00
June 3,	Saratoga Meeting.....	66 61
" "	Ladies' S. S. Class, Worcester.....	15 55
" 5,	Mrs. Bogue, Wallingford, Vt.....	5 00
" "	Miss Townsend, Wallingford, Vt.....	2 00
" 7,	Rev. and Mrs. Lewis, Putney, Vt.....	5 00
" "	Mrs. Gulick, Springfield, Mass.....	5 83
	Acknowledged for H. M., June 30.....	\$99 99
July 3,	Rev. W. G. Puddefoot.....	6 00
Aug. 3,	Mrs. M. Spaulding, Groton, Mass.....	20 00
" 13,	Mrs. E. Wilson, Ct.....	5 00
" 24,	R. N. Hastings, Warren, Mass.....	6 00
Sept. 7,	Miss Nettie Clark, Suffield, Ct., two S. S. Classes.....	4 00
" 11,	Mrs. L. Gulick, Springfield, Mass., Y. P. S. C. E.....	8 50
" 16,	Miss M. M. Smith, Amherst, Mass., Homeland Circle.....	40 00
" 17,	Miss C. A. Whittemore, N. H., Y. P. S. C. E.....	15 00
" 27,	Mr. B. E. Warner, Rosemond, Ill.....	50 00
Oct. 1,	A Friend, Springfield, Mass.....	20 00
" "	A Lady in Brooklyn, through A. H. M. S.....	20 00
" 2,	P. A. Craft, Oberlin, O.....	5 00
" 10,	Mrs. Taft, Putney, Vt.....	5 00
" 17,	Miss M. M. Smith, Amherst, Mass., Homeland Circle, add'l.....	5 00
" 18,	A Friend in Coal Bluff.....	2 00
" 26,	Young People's Coal Bluff Entertainment.....	8 55
	Total receipts.....	\$321 04

EXPENDITURE.

Strip of land.....	\$5 00
Rock for foundation and teaming.....	4 50
Lumber for frame, etc.....	58 22
Seasoned pine, lumber, shingles, windows, frames, and doors.....	90 17
Eighteen days and one-half to Jessup & Carr for carpentering.....	37 00
Plastering, material, due, and freight.....	44 38
Teaming and freight.....	12 00

Nails.....	\$5 56
Painting and material.....	17 54
Locks, latch, and window-catches.....	2 56
Stove and pipe, etc.....	16 26
Two electric lamps, and expressage.....	7 60
Three extension tables, and chairs.....	7 40
Galvanized chimney top and coal bucket.....	2 36
Total expenditure.....	\$320 76

ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF SECRETARIES OF AUXILIARIES.

THE Conference of Secretaries of State Congregational Home Missionary Societies auxiliary to the American Home Missionary Society convened, for its nineteenth annual meeting, at the Bible House, New York, N. Y., at 9 A. M., Wednesday, November 11, 1891, present:

Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, D.D., Bangor, Me., Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society;

Rev. Alfred T. Hillman, Concord, N. H., Secretary of the New Hampshire Home Missionary Society;

Rev. Charles H. Merrill, St. Johnsbury, Vt., Secretary of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society;

Rev. Joshua Coit, Boston, Mass., Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society;

Rev. Alexander McGregor, Pawtucket, R. I., Secretary of the Rhode Island Home Missionary Society;

Rev. William H. Moore, Hartford, Conn., Secretary of the Missionary Society of Connecticut;

Rev. Ethan Curtis, Syracuse, N. Y., Secretary of the New York Home Missionary Society;

Rev. John G. Fraser, D.D., Cleveland, O., Secretary of the Ohio Home Missionary Society;

Rev. James Tompkins, D.D., Chicago, Ill., Secretary of the Illinois Home Missionary Society;

Rev. Thomas G. Grassie, Milwaukee, Wis., Secretary of the Wisconsin Home Missionary Society;

Also, by invitation, the Secretaries and Treasurer, and Rev. M. W. Montgomery, of the American Home Missionary Society. and Rev. Henry A. Stimson, D.D., of St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. Grassie was made Chairman, and Mr. Moore, Scribe.

Prayer was offered by Mr. Merrill.

Messrs. Tompkins and Adams were made a Business Committee.

The report of the treasurer was made and accepted.

The report of the registrar, including a program, was made and accepted, and the program was referred to the Business Committee.

It was *voted*, That the next annual meeting be held at the Congregational House, Boston, Mass., beginning at 9 A. M., Tuesday, November 15, 1892.

It was *voted*, That the minutes of this meeting be offered for publication in *The Home Missionary*.

The Business Committee made a report which was accepted, recommending that each State Secretary report the condition and needs of his field, and that thereafter the topics on the program be taken up at the discretion of the Conference.

Five sessions, with devotional services, were held as follows: Wednesday, November 11, 9-10 A. M., and 2:30-5:30 P. M.; Thursday, November 12, 9 A. M.—12:30; Friday, November 13, 9-11 A. M., and 2-3:15 P. M.

In the intervals between these sessions the State Secretaries attended meetings (1) of a Conference of the officers of the American Home Missionary Society with the Secretaries of the State Auxiliaries, to consider how the relations of said Society to said Auxiliaries can be modified for the better promotion of all interests involved, and (2) of an informal Conference relating to Rev. Jonas M. Ahnstrom. In addition to the reports of the Secretaries, at the sessions of the Conference, the following resolutions were adopted, and the following topics were discussed:

I. Resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the editor of *The Home Missionary* is requested to put permanently and prominently in *The Home Missionary*, at or near the head of the statement of money received, the following notice: "For account of receipts by Auxiliaries, See pp. —."

2. *Resolved*, That, in the expectation that the proposed plan of more complete unification will be carried out, we commend to the Executive Committee of the American Home Missionary Society the propriety of employing such enlarged agencies for presenting the work, and for raising funds, as, in their discretion, the needs of the field require.

II. Topics:

1. Is it desirable that city home missionary societies be separate from the rest of the State, with exclusive control of their own finances and affairs?

2. Is it wise to organize churches with members from several denominations?

3. How can we make our local home missionary committees most profitable to the State Society?

4. Is it desirable to have some method of securing official information of bequests; and, if so, what is the best method?

5. What influence can we bring to bear on churches of foreigners which persist in conducting their religious services exclusively in their own language?

6. Mission literature.

7. The advantages of union meetings of the several Woman's auxiliaries of the National Societies.

8. To what extent can the employment of women for mission work be carried—as deaconesses, district visitors, evangelists, and supplies for weak churches?

9. What is the “institutional” plan of church organization: and is it practicable for country churches?

10. The experiment in mission work at Newport, N. H.

11. How can we find suitable ministers for aided churches paying a salary of only six hundred dollars?

The minutes were approved, and at 3:15 Friday afternoon the Conference adjourned.

WILLIAM H. MOORE. *Registrar.*

SNOW SLIDES AND FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS.

BY REV. C. M. SANDERS, SUPERINTENDENT, COLO.

I HAVE recently returned from one of the most interesting and exciting, as well as wearisome, missionary trips of my superintendency. Was for a few days in the land of *snow slides*; indeed, for a half-hour was between two small ones. The Father's good hand stopped our team at just the right point to save us from both. They were not over one hundred and fifty feet from each other. Our four horses and long sleigh were between them.

Here was “a covert from the storm,” surely. Three ministers were returning from Rico, where they had assisted in the dedication of a neat church building to cost, when completed, some \$4,000, and where they had aided in the ordination of Mr. S. C. Dickinson as pastor. Fellowship meetings were also held. This is the only church, and its pastor the only minister, in De Lore County. It is thirty miles to any other church.

Here is this Congregational pastor, shut in by these towering mountains, now covered with snow, and shut out largely from ministerial fellowship, giving himself royally to the Master's work. He is not here because there was no parish for him elsewhere. He declined flattering calls East, and came here by choice.

The two days spent at Rico will be marked days in the history of the town. These fellowship meetings were a new experience to most of the people there. The ordination scene will not soon be forgotten. There were but ~~three~~ three of us to lay our hands upon the candidate's head: but some of us felt that the *fourth* was there also.

A Christian pastor means more in that town now. So too, a Congregational church reveals itself as a church of Christ, and the people come to realize and appreciate that its fellowship is true and strong; that we are bound together by the best tie.

It is the purpose of all our fellowship work to illustrate that saying of John, "that ye may have fellowship with us; and truly *our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.*"

The examination of Mr. D. was most satisfactory. I wish more praying mothers might have heard his statement regarding his Christian experience. His sainted mother must have touched her harp afresh as she looked down from the loftier heights upon that ordination service. Now here is a beginning. *What of the future?* What when the bulb shall have come to its flower?

At *Telluride* we dedicated quite an attractive church building costing \$8,500. This church, though not now one of our aided churches, is a child of our work. Rev. J. H. Reid is the pastor. This is the only church of any denomination in San Miguel County. Telluride is one of the most beautiful spots in Colorado. A bird's nest among great hills. As you look about you of a bright morning, you feel to say, "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth even forever." "The strength of the hills is His also." The Bridal Veil Falls, with a breadth of over thirty feet, and a fall of three hundred feet, are worth quite a journey to see.

In this charmed spot the Christ has made himself known and felt.

The sermon of dedication was by President Slocum, of Colorado College. Prayer by Superintendent Sanders; other parts by Rev. Messrs. Dickinson, of Rico, and Chase, of Montrose.

The outlook at Telluride is surely bright. One of the best buildings is the church. Its tower, like the peaks about it, lifting the eye and thought. In that tower, the gift of an eastern gentleman, is a sweet-toned bell. It sounds grandly as it rings out its cordial invitation to the house of God.

—"the bells in the steeple
Ring peace to the people;
'God loves you!' they cry."

The miners, miles away on the mountain sides hear it, and by it are reminded of sacred things.

It was Sabbath morning; the first church bell of the camp was ringing for the first time. A miner on "Carbonate Hill" heard it, stood silent for a moment, and then exclaimed to a companion: "Pard, Jesus Christ has come to Leadville."

I wish we had more of these ringing messengers. They supplement home missionary work. They would aid many a soul to keep track of Sunday.

At *Montrose* we found a transformation since our last visit. The renovated house itself indicated the rest.

Mr. A. L. Chase, who commenced work here September 1, is awakening a fresh interest in church life and work, and is attracting the people to Sabbath services. Here, too, we found a fine 800 pound Meneely bell, the purchase of the young people. Mr. Chase graduated from the Boston University, took a special year at Harvard, and then came to Montrose. He came well recommended by his pastor, Rev. Dr. Gregg, then of Park Street Church. We ordained Mr. Chase as pastor of this church. The large congregation filling the house seemed greatly interested in the services. Rev. S. F. Dickinson, of Grand Junction, was moderator, and Rev. E. Southworth, of Whitewater, scribe of the Council. Sermon, President Sloeum, other parts by Mr. Read and others.

Here are three strategical centers in a rich portion of our growing State, where we have now located three choice, promising young men, coming from specially favored educational and church centers. Boston, New Haven, and Oberlin. They are destined to exert a healthful influence in the development of this young commonwealth along right lines.

They had never met until now; these meetings have brought them together in close fellowship, and they are already planning to aid each other in the glorious work to which they have consecrated their lives.

Silverton and Cortez are in the same region, and if pastors of like character can be found for these churches, we may look for large results in the near future.

It has been said: "A nation shall have strength of life, and length of life, just in proportion as she will do the will of God; and it is one province of the Church of Christ to educate the public conscience to know what the will of God is."

PARAGRAPH FROM A PREACHMENT.—It seems to me worth while to give serious thought to the methods of conducting our local benevolent societies. There is no sufficient reason why a home missionary auxiliary should eke out a precarious existence through fairs, suppers, socials, lectures, concerts, pink-teas, "Deestrick Skules," orange shows, fan drills, broom drills, stereopticon views, Japanese tea parties, New England suppers, ice-cream socials, candy stands, and so on through the descending scale which touches bottom at the necktie party. We are not decrying against good, pure fun. There ought to be room in our philosophy and in our lives for more of it: but duty that must always be sugar-coated is no longer duty. It is time to invest home missionary work with the dignity belonging to it, and advance its interests through well-considered, rather than childish means.—*F. K. R.*

A REQUEST.

By REV. L. P. BROAD, SUPERINTENDENT, TOPERA, KANSAS.

Prayer is requested for the important work of our State Evangelists.

VALEDA is a small town in southeastern Kansas, that sprung into existence five years ago, on the completion of a railway. No regular religious services of any kind have ever been held in it. Our small rural church of "Deerton," three miles away, moved its building there, but has been too weak to use or repair it. Sad religious destitution has prevailed in the town and whole region of country.

Missionary Evangelist L. R. Vernon went there in August, and hunted up the nine remaining members of our Deerton church. Not one manifested any faith that any minister could do anything in Valeda. Cold water was plentifully showered on his project to hold a series of meetings. But he assured the doubting professors that "the Lord was with him," and that "he could not fail"; and through his prayers in their homes and earnest appeals to them in private to renew their faith and consecration, a few of the members were quickened and began to work. The Evangelist gave notice of the meetings personally, going from house to house, and in one instance walking six miles each way, in the hot sun, to visit a family.

A good audience gathered in the little, dilapidated meeting-house at the first service. Soon the house was crowded; more room must be had, and then a tent was hired, in which the rest of the meetings were held. The tent seated 400, and was soon filled. Scattered clans of believers of various names had their representation in the audience, who prayed and testified. Backsliders confessed their wanderings and asked prayers. People came fifteen miles, from the country and neighboring towns, to attend the meetings, and before long some joyfully found the Savior. One thousand people were in attendance on one Sabbath night, one-half of whom, of course, could only gather around the tent. The meetings were always orderly, to the great surprise of the old inhabitants.

The old truths of the Gospel were simply, calmly, forcefully presented. It became evident to all that the work was of God and not of man.

The Evangelist remained four weeks, within which time all of our nine members became active Christians; believers from other towns were revived, and went home to infuse new spiritual life into their own churches, and many were converted. Some of the latter will join other communions; but on Sunday, September 27, Superintendent Broad re-

ceived twenty-four new members into the Congregational church of Valleda, which makes a total present membership of thirty-three. Ten of these twenty-four new members are heads of families, eleven others are highly respected young people, and three were children. The church now includes the leading Christian families of the neighborhood.

On the same day the church met, and chose as a second deacon a young man converted in the meeting, who declares his intentions, in due time, to prepare himself for the Gospel ministry. A large committee of the church was also appointed to lead the movement for immediately repairing the church building, and the establishment at once of a Sunday-school, and weekly prayer-meeting was agreed upon. A pastor will be sent to the field at the earliest practicable date.

A wholly new and improved aspect has been put upon Christian work in that section of Labette County, wide-spread religious thoughtfulness awakened, and it would appear that the good work there had but begun.

OUR LADY EVANGELIST IN WASHINGTON.

EXPERIENCES OF MRS. COBLEIGH.

I HAVE just left Pullman. I was there for a service morning and evening, and at Ewartsville at 3 P. M. The morning congregation filled the chairs in the new church. The pastor, Rev. L. O. Baird (of the "Washington Band"), counted the audiences. The morning audience was 150; the Sunday-school, 105; the afternoon, 78; and the evening audience, 115. The Sunday-school filled the room, and the morning audience was crowded. They will have to enlarge the meeting-house. I rejoice to see the prosperity. Mr. Baird has secured a place for himself in the Pullman Church, and the people follow his leading.

Ewartsville gave me a hearty welcome and filled the school-house to overflowing last Sunday afternoon. I went to meet the people on the Home Missionary emergency. Mr. Baird had prepared the way, and the collection at Pullman was \$35 in the church, and will be made up to \$50. The average collection is \$3. The collection at Ewartsville amounted to \$8.80. I was thankful, I assure you. We hope to raise much more money in the State than ever before. The fields are constantly enlarging.

I am to help Mr. Baird start a new enterprise at Johnson. The place has never had preaching by any denomination until two weeks ago. Mr. Baird went there, and had between sixty and seventy in the school-house. I am to visit from house to house, hold services during the week and on the Sabbath, and get a Sunday-school started. Soon we hope to organize a church. I helped get a work started at Sellice Junction. We have

the Sunday-school well organized; the church will soon follow. At St. John I helped Mr. Walters organize a church. They have had services only a few times since until I went there. The members moved away, so there were only seven, and they were very much discouraged. I was there three Sabbaths and one intervening week. Several, five I think, united with the church; a young people's society was organized, and we hope to have help enough so they can have services two Sabbaths in a month. The ladies formed a society that will do good work. It was encouraging to have people come six and eight miles to church, and in mud time. They were thoroughly interested for their soul's salvation; average congregation, one hundred.

I was ordained at Colfax, April 2, by the ministers and delegates of the Upper Columbia Association. I did not expect this honor and responsibility so soon, if ever. I thank God for the gift of such an office, and pray I may honor the gift. The Association contained as many ministers and delegates as were present in Colfax four years ago, when all Oregon and Washington were represented. The work grows rapidly, and we cannot keep pace with the growth. We are very grateful for the additional help you have given us in sustaining a missionary at Pullman, in other gifts, and in the prayers that keep our courage good.—*Written to the W. H. M. U., of Connecticut, April, 1891.*

THE most interesting and wonderful fact of the day, to one who has eyes to see, is the development of this country—its immensity, its rapidity, its characteristics, and its tendencies. Here is the field of interest; here are the awful uncertainties; here are piling up the forces that will soon outweigh the world; here humanity stands waiting to see which way the scales of destiny shall dip for her. I say that one who pauses for one year in his close and attentive look at the development of this country falls behind his age, and fails to see the most stupendous scene that history ever presented to the eye of man. I know of no better way of coming *into touch* with our national life at this period than by attending an annual meeting of the A. H. M. S. as these meetings are now conducted. You will not misunderstand me when I say that they are conducted upon the basis of Christian statesmanship, rather than as a strictly religious and church matter.—*Rev. T. T. Munger, D. D., in "Congregationalist."*

THE GERMAN is educated to distrust the prayer-meeting and that kind of manifestation of Christianity. We must not assume that he has no closet because he has not the meeting; we must accustom him to the latter.—*Superintendent Eversz.*

Woman's Department.

"God doth not need

Either man's work, or his own gifts. Who best
Bear his mild yoke, they serve him best; his state
Is kingly; thousands at his bidding speed
And post o'er land and ocean without rest.
They also serve who only stand and wait."

"CHILD of mine, I love thee; listen now to me,

And make answer truly while I question thee.
Thou hast craved my power and presence in thy soul
Wilt thou yield thee truly unto my control?
Wilt thou let me ever with thee have my way?
Yield thyself in all things simply to obey?
When I give to others what I thee deny,
Flood them with my sunshine, wholly pass thee by,
Wilt thou still believe in my strong love for thee?
Yield thee to my purpose whatso'er it be?"

"It is not incumbent on thee to finish the work, but thou must not therefore depart from it."

"BEHIND the snow loaf is the mill-wheel; behind the mill the wheat-field; on the wheat-field falls the sunlight; above the sun is God."

"It is a great thing to love Christ so dearly as to be 'ready to be bound and to die' for him; but it is often a thing not less great to be ready to take up our daily cross and to live for him."

"THE history of every discovery, of every enterprise of benevolence, of every reform, is the history of toil and watching through long discouragements."

A SUGGESTION FOR W. H. M. U. TREASURERS.

Place.	Date.	A. H. M. S.	A. M. A.	A. C. U.	A. C. & E. S.	C. S. S. N. W.	E. D.	Misc.	Totals.
Dorr. ...	June 1, 1871	15	15	15	15	15	15		90
Rico. ...	" 10, "	3	3	3	3	3	3		18
Avon ...	" 17, "							17	17
Center..	" 30, "	100	100	100	100	100	100		600
Total for June.....									725

SUGGESTIVE.—For several years I have been gathering what I call my "Missionary Gallery." I have taken the pictures not only from missionary magazines, but from any book or paper that would consent to be whittled. I paste them neatly on cardboard, cut so as to leave a margin, or, when size and shape permit, on large invitation cards. In this way they look almost as well as photographs, are easily handled, and can be used in meetings, two or three at a time as needed. In fact, my col-

lection occupies a prominent place in the parlor, and it is very seldom that a guest is allowed to depart without taking a stroll through my "Gallery," which is invariably pronounced, "entertaining and instructive."

ASHAMED OF HER IGNORANCE.—Is it not quite time that we study the history of our own country critically, intelligently, and lovingly, from a missionary standpoint? A few days ago a lady (prominent in religious and social circles) told me that she did not know the name of a home missionary or a home missionary station; but she said: "I am determined to learn. I am ashamed of this ignorance!"

This morning I find among my mail ten letters from Home Missionaries. I am sorry I cannot copy them here for you all to read; but there is not space for them. Let me quote just a line from one:

"Oh, if the kind-hearted and wealthy Christians of our beloved Church did but know how much good they could do in the way of making a missionary's heart glad, and making it easier to reach the souls for whom Christ died, they would not rest until they had richer investments in heaven. The disadvantages under which many Home Missionaries toil, are such as to cause some to say with Paul, 'I bear in my body the marks of our Lord Jesus Christ.' Last Sunday morning, after walking two miles through a deep snow, I found about fifty men who are working on the railroad, and cutting logs in a large camp. About three couples were boxing for the amusement of the rest. I walked in among them and said, 'Now, boys, it is time for church.' They quit their boxing, and from the text John 3: 16, I preached for forty minutes to one of the most attentive audiences I have addressed in twelve years. I sang to them 'Jesus, my Savior, to Bethlehem came,' and tears furrowed the cheeks of these seemingly rough men. Now why should not these sheep have a shepherd, just as well as those more refined and with infinitely greater advantages."—*Mrs. Isaac Clatlin, in The Advance.*

INDIANA.

At the Annual Meeting of the W. H. M. U. of Indiana, the ladies voted unanimously to make a special effort to increase their offerings so that their Missionary, Rev. James Hayes, of the Coal Mine Mission, might have help. He is doing the work of three men. After Mr. Hayes had told his simple story at this meeting, Rev. Mr. Knopf, pastor at Elkhart, said he would empty one pocket and hold it in reserve for contributions to the Coal Mine Mission. Accepting an invitation to "pass the hat," he received at once \$23.39. The Union raised \$560 for this work last year, and hopes to double its contributions the coming year.

This meeting marked a new era of interest in Home Missions in Indiana, which greatly encourages the workers. It is the reward of faithful effort on the part of the officers of the W. H. M. U., who have attacked this plague spot in their fair State in earnest. These people are not native Hoosiers. This ignorance, this heathenism has been transplanted by capitalists who wish to avail themselves of cheap labor.

The President of the Union writes: "Although I was born in the State of New York, I am loyal to the State of my adoption. I told Mr. Hayes that if he went to Saratoga to attend the National Convention, and told of the almost heathen darkness and hellish wickedness that he was endeavoring to blot out, he must be sure to impress upon his hearers the fact that this darkness and wickedness was confined to a comparatively small part of the State, for in many respects Indiana is abreast with other States."

OHIO.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE W. H. M. U.

"AND the evening and the morning were the second day." The first had been devoted to Foreign Missions. On the Home Missionary program the first number was an evening address by Mrs. Caswell, in which we were brought home from the heathen degradation in Turkey, China, and India, to consider the irreligion and vice within our own borders and the heroism and self-sacrifice exhibited by our missionaries in the West, particularly the Dakotas and Oklahoma. After listening to "Frontier Experiences," it was an easy matter next day to vote the support of a missionary in Oklahoma in addition to other work previously assumed.

This anniversary being the tenth, the Secretary gave a retrospective view of the Society's growth in numbers and contributions from its weak infancy to its present condition. The Treasurer's report showed that we had collected \$235 more than the \$5,000 pledged. The President gave the prospective condition of the Society at the close of another decade, when it was hoped every woman in our Congregational churches should have evolved a conscience, and have been led to contribute at least a cent a week for Home Missions.

Miss Mary A. Peck described the Cleveland Bible Readers' Home—its growth, maintenance, and present enlarged scope. It now receives young women desirous of preparing for any branch of missionary work, other languages besides the Bohemian being taught there.

Mrs. G. S. Moore, of Washington, gave an address on the needs of the Freedmen, and dwelt especially on the work in Washington as affording a shining example of the triumph of faith and labor over some of the

worst forms of iniquity. Mrs. Moore sang, "Nobody knows the trouble I see, Nobody knows but Jesus." having been herself one of the original Jubilee Singers.

A symposium on "How can we make our auxiliaries more efficient" revealed the almost universal need of some new factor, or new application of power; and if it did not evolve the universal panacea, it at least emphasized many sources of strength, such as wise use of literature, more personal effort to secure attendance at the meetings, faithful use of some *plan*, whether pledge cards, mite-boxes, or envelopes, and the co-operation of the pastor in the presentation of missionary needs.

Greetings from the missionary societies of four other denominations formed a pleasant feature of the meeting.

From first to last the meeting was filled with inspiration and courage.—*Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin, Secretary.*

[In a personal note Mrs. Regal writes: "I do not need to tell you how hard it is to squeeze all the juice out of a report; but even that is better than to have had no juice to squeeze! Our Oberlin delegates are still saying, 'What a good meeting we did have!'"

VIRGINIA.

I WANT an auxiliary to our State Union here. but I have not written to our President, Mrs. Noyes, yet, because my little boy was taken sick with chills and fever, which at last changed to a slow fever unknown to us. We could get no doctor for him, there being only two in the county, and so many people calling continually that they could not reach all who called for them. Therefore it took all my time and attention, besides skill and patience, to study and think what to give him in the line of drugs, and food to agree with him. I am happy to say that after about nine weeks' illness he began slowly to recover his health. This fever proved to be a malaria epidemic, and in fact death was the result in a great many cases. You may imagine my gratitude to my heavenly Father. My friends could not come to see me nor could I go to them until lately.

I have the names of about twenty-five ladies who seem to be interested in Home Missions, and I think Thanksgiving afternoon will be a nice day to organize a Home Circle, and every year we can look forward to a pleasant annual anniversary.

I get *The Home Missionary* almost every month. If some of the ladies ask for one I will let you know. I am not posted as to the date of Thanksgiving, as I do not take a weekly paper. I looked in my almanac but did not see. If you can, please let me know soon. I would like to send a card to each lady two weeks prior to the time, giving them full notice.

I went out to-day and made four calls, and was much pleased with my day's work in this cause, as I have been home quite a long while with my little boy. We have not had Sunday-school since August, on account of sickness. We hope to start it ere long, and also have a new public school open near us. We are trying to get a school-house in this neighborhood, which may be used for prayer-meetings and the Home Circle too. Will the Home Circle admit young ladies? What does "Congregationalism" mean?

PENNSYLVANIA.

This is an age of missions, and the real live churches of to-day are those who are actively engaged in missionary work. We cannot be interested in the things of which we have no knowledge, but we cannot plead ignorance on this subject; for there are magazines, papers and leaflets in abundance from which we can glean information, and the touching appeals in them are enough to arouse a heart of stone. Our State is young in the work, but the Master is able to make our little acorns grow to great oaks, if we are only willing to work as He bids us.

There is one Swedish Congregational church whose society has become auxiliary to the State Union. That is the one at Ridgway. They have a faithful pastor, who meets with them and helps them.

One of our officers did not succeed in getting a Society started in the place where she resides, but took it upon herself to do something for the Lord's treasury, and called upon ninety families and solicited such sums as they were pleased to give, ranging from ten cents to five dollars, distributing tracts and leaflets as she went, and gathered the nice sum of \$58.50 — *From the Secretary.*

REV. PHILIP HITCHCOCK, who is doing general missionary work in South Dakota, declares that the A. B. M. S. is finding its way into many dark places there. "Across the street from where we are sitting," said Mr. Hitchcock, "lives a Bohemian merchant. The other day their little boy was buried. He was a bright, active fellow. I have often seen him with his father in the store and on the street. His dying words were, 'By-by, papa; by-by, papa.' The family asked for no prayer or song or word of comfort at the funeral; but after the little fellow was buried under the prairie grasses they opened a beer keg and glass after glass was passed around, to the evident joy of the 'mourners,' and many others partook out of sympathy with the bereaved! This being over, thick slices of raw pork were handed around. No matter how many crop failures we have, there is one crop that grows as plentifully as under any skies, and that is the multiplying harvest of little children. It makes my heart ache to see the numberless host of little ones born into such an atmosphere and brought up under such degrading influences."



•• Our Young People. ••

DRILL QUESTIONS FOR THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.

1. Who may enlist in this army?

Ans. The Congregational Sunday-schools of the United States.

2. How many scholars are there in the Congregational Sunday-schools of the United States?

Ans. 600,000.

3. In a military company, how many soldiers are there?

Ans. One hundred.

4. In a regiment how many soldiers are there?

Ans. About one thousand.

5. How many companies can be formed from the membership of our Sunday-schools? How many regiments?

6. How many soldiers ought there to be in the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army?

Ans. 600,000.

ARMY BULLETINS.

FIRST WEEK AFTER RALLY DAY.—We have received reports from thirty-nine companies: Mass., 13; Ct., 7; Maine, 3; New York, 3; Fla., 2; Mich., 2; Pa., 2; Ala., 1; Minn., 1; Miss., 1; N. H., 1; So. Dak., 1; Vt., 1; Wis., 1. Cash received, \$354.26.

FROM A SMALL COUNTRY TOWN IN MASSACHUSETTS.—“Our school is very small, but terribly enthusiastic over your enrollment cards. Do let the good work go on.”

FROM CONNECTICUT.—“On the Rally Day our school averaged nearly forty cents apiece. If the *churches* would do as well the Society would be free from debt.”

Another Connecticut superintendent writes: “Please send me some more enrollment cards. This work must go on.”

One other writes: “We raised fifty dollars for you on the Rally Day. We think we did pretty well, for we are nothing but a small country Sunday-school. We asked God’s blessing on every dollar of it.”

A PENNSYLVANIA Company expresses hearty enjoyment in giving the “exercise” prepared for Rally Day.

A NEW YORK Company gives praise to God that they have the opportunity to become enrolled in this grand Home Missionary Army.

AN ALABAMA Company is delighted with the handsome card for ‘the wall.

MISSISSIPPI hopes that the Missionary Army did a grand work on Rally Day. All that came out on the twenty-second enlisted.

A SUPERINTENDENT in the MINNESOTA Regiment gave the entire Sunday-school hour to the Rally Exercise, and declares that it was a delightful occasion.

BEFORE THE RALLY.

I AM reminding our children of the Home Missionary Rally *every Sabbath*, and quite a number are *earning money* for the Rally Day. I wish I might secure for you at least fifty volunteers toward the 600,000. I think the idea is a *grand one*, and I wish the day might be observed annually.—*Ohio*.

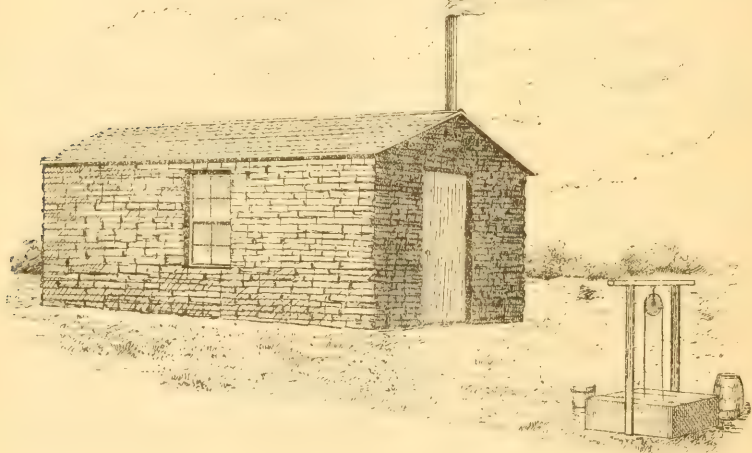
AFTER THE RALLY.

WE held our Home Missionary Rally last evening. The boys and girls spoke their pieces nicely. There were fifty-eight present, and the collection amounted to \$2 50, the largest collection we have ever taken at one time. May God bless every dollar of it! Our church is a small home missionary church. Without help from the Home Missionary Society we could not have any preaching. A student from Amherst College preaches to us every Sabbath. Most of our congregation are young people. The Christian Crusaders have been here, and their labors have been greatly blessed. There have been several conversions, and the interest continues. We hold two meetings a week, although our pastor cannot be with us very often at these meetings because he has to keep up his studies.—*Massachusetts*.

A MISTAKE.—Now and then a soldier, having placed his name and the amount of his contribution upon the enrollment card, returns the same to us, at the Bible House, New York. *To return the card to us is a mistake.* The soldier should *keep his card.* It is his **CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP** to the Home Missionary Army. It is his **Reminder.** The map of the United States on the opposite side brings to his remembrance the fair land which he is helping to redeem for Christ.

THEY LIKE IT!

THE children of the Nebraska Regiment are saving their nickels and dimes to support a missionary of their "very own," and in their own State, too. The mothers of these children belong to the W. H. M. U. of Nebraska. The children are also members of the W. H. M. U. If you do not know what these letters mean ask your mother. They kindly share with you a letter, and a picture of Mr. Brown's sod house.



LAKESIDE, NEB., June, 1891.

Dear Children: Another month gone. With such a wide country to range over, and so many places to visit, time seems to fly swiftly in the sand hills.

Barney—our missionary horse—and I are on the road most of the time, and though our tramps are sometimes wearisome, they are not without interest.

During the months of May and June our landscape is clothed with richest beauty. If you were to go to school here I fear you would be tardy. You could not resist the temptation to linger among the flowers.

We also have beautiful birds, and little ground squirrels, all so tame, for they have not been frightened by rude boys yet. There are two prairie dog towns; one a city, lies in a valley that I sometimes go through to avoid a big hill. I was crossing one day, when a little gray animal, with a striped face, met us on the path; he did not observe the rules of etiquette, for he planted himself squarely on the path, and said he had the road first and would keep it. Now the *law* in such a case is to halve the road, but either he did not know or did not care. Barney and I thought that to make a personal attack on a badger would not be dignified, so *we* turned out with lofty contempt and went around him. We had no trouble and retained our self-respect.

I believe it is the best way to do, when we meet with quarrelsome individuals, whether they be badgers, or boys, or men. I thought he looked ashamed when he looked back at us, but perhaps I imagined that.

We went over the hill into the dog city, which covers 160 acres of ground. Little prairie dogs sat up at their doors, chattering or scolding at us as we passed along the road; away off in the distance, in every direction, were large bands of them at play. They would form long lines, and scamper across the field, and then disappear under ground. They all seemed happy. God's goodness is displayed in these solitudes.

But this peaceful community has its enemies, too, that sneak in to prey upon its inhabitants.

Rattlesnakes crawl into the holes and *seem* to sleep with the dogs. It seems strange to see the harmless rodents, and the venomous reptiles lying peacefully in the same burrows; but a closer investigation shows that the snake intends to swallow as many fat little dogs as he has appetite for, without any regard for the remonstrance of their parents.

There are a great many snakes that infest human society, who are willing to live in harmony and peace until we suggest that our boys and girls are too precious to be devoured, and then they show their fangs.

I hope you are prospering in your work. Wish I might drop in and see you, but that may not be now.

Your work is there, and mine here, but all in the vineyard of the Master.—*Your Fellow-Worker, J. B. Brown.*

HOW THEY DID IT.

THE Vermont children have been earning money to send Bibles where they are needed. Here are some of their letters to the Bible Society, telling how they earned it:

"Earned my pennies catching rats for grandpa, and filling the wood-box."

"I am nine years old. Every day that I don't tease my papa for candy my papa gives me a penny, and that is the way I earn my money."

"Earned mine by taking castor oil."

"I did not earn my money, but had it given to me my birthday. I think it is about as hard to give it away when it is given to you as to earn it."

"My doctor gave me five pennies for letting him pull a tooth and not making any fuss."

"I earned my money driving sheep. There were two thousand."

"I am a little girl four years old. I have a very bad habit of squealing when things don't go to suit me, and mamma gave me four cents if I would not squeal for a week."

"Earned my money feeding the minister's wife's cats, and watering her plants, while she was away to Quarterly Meeting."

"Perhaps you would like to know how an Indian girl from Dakota, who goes to Sunday-school in Waitsfield now, earned her money. I picked and shelled the beans in the garden. I am glad to send you my fifteen cents, for I never should have had a Bible if others had not helped me."

Here is a picture of one side of the enrollment card. We hope that the enrollment fee will be at least a dime, but even less will enlist a soldier. These cards will be sent *free* on application to the American Home Missionary Society, 34 Bible House, New York City.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.	
	
<i>This Certifies that _____ by the payment of _____ is enrolled a soldier in the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army</i>	
<i>David B. Leir</i> <i>Miss McClapp</i>	Hon. Sec. Treas'r.
<i>Jos. Bourns Clark</i> <i>Wm. Kinsman</i> <i>Washington Chivate</i>	Secs.

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

In the first eight months of the current (sixty-sixth) financial year the receipts at the treasury of the National Society have been as follows :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$13,542 54	\$17,280 43	\$30,822 97
May.....	24,052 85	3,223 02	27,275 87
June.....	15,608 82	6,907 54	22,516 36
July.....	13,919 50	13,852 15	27,771 65
August.....	8,197 04	10,551 90	18,748 94
September.....	16,819 54	15,352 35	32,171 89
October.....	19,110 91	19,778 26	38,889 17
November.....	21,628 21	13,276 38	34,904 59
	<hr/> \$132,879 41	<hr/> \$100,222 03	<hr/> \$233,101 44

The receipts in the corresponding months of 1890 were :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$20,306 48	\$3,723 85	\$24,030 33
May.....	14,969 79	2,066 64	17,036 43
June.....	11,845 88	2,163 11	14,008 99
July.....	25,145 31	17,236 06	42,381 37
August.....	14,235 36	5,642 46	19,877 82
September.....	16,241 59	1,664 53	17,906 12
October.....	13,877 18	24,891 58	38,768 76
November.....	10,685 13	2,084 57	12,769 70
	<hr/> \$127,306 72	<hr/> \$59,472 80	<hr/> \$186,779 52

The gain over the receipts in November, 1890, is \$10,943.08 in contributions, and \$11,191.81 in legacies—in all, \$22,134.89. The gain in the eight months of the fiscal year is \$5,572.69 in contributions, and \$40,749.23 in legacies; total gain, \$46,321.92.

Yet the receipts thus far have not sufficed to meet the necessary monthly outlay, much less have they enabled the Society to reduce its obligations at the bank: the \$50,000 brought over from last year, and the \$75,000 borrowed since April 1, 1891, to pay promptly the missionaries. Day by day, as they came in, the November receipts were sent to the waiting brethren, but every mail brought from them reports of labor that have kept their dues up to the level of last month's statement.

Less than four months of the financial year now remain in which to cancel these dues, besides carrying on the work in hand. To do this, an average increase of nearly \$20,000 a month over last year's receipts in these months will be needed. It cannot be that the churches demanding this work and pledged to support it, wish to have it carried on under a crushing load of debt, making it impossible for the Executive Committee to plan with confidence, or to give the missionaries that positive assurance of prompt payment without which they must labor under crippling anxiety as to the support of their families and the maintenance of their good name.

The time has now come for the churches to decide whether their offerings shall be liberally increased, or the work shall be cut down: cut down when every superintendent and nearly every missionary is begging for helpers to enter the doors opening on every side; when the Spirit and providence of God are everywhere calling on his hosts to go forward; when the whole land is brighter with promise than ever before; when unprecedented harvests are overcrowding the granaries and enriching the coffers of the nation. Do our churches and their pastors really believe that they have reached the limit of their ability—and so of their sacred duty—to sustain a work which God has so blessed for more than threescore years, a work so vital to our country's welfare, so essential to the success of Christian efforts for the world's salvation? Are the Congregational churches of this land really too poor to do more than they are doing, to save America to save the world?

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

REV. CHARLES W. SHELTON, of Birmingham, Ct., having terminated his relations with the American Missionary Association, as Secretary of its Indian Department, has accepted service under the American Home Missionary Society as one of its eastern Field Secretaries. His home will continue to be in Connecticut and his field of solicitation for this Society will be chiefly in New England, in which work he will be co-laborer with Rev. W. G. Puldefoot, whose home is in eastern Massachusetts. Mr. Shelton began his ministerial life as a Home Missionary and now returns to his first love. We commend him most warmly to the churches as a faithful servant of God, and an able champion of Home Missions.

On the Pacific coast, Rev. James H. Warren, D.D., for forty years a Home Missionary, twenty-seven of which was the term of his superintendency, has retired from his long and honorable service, carrying with him the love of his brethren and the esteem of all the churches. Rev. Hiram D. Wiard, for the past five years superintendent in South Dakota, has succeeded him in this office and brings to the work an enthusiasm and experience that give promise of large and gratifying success.

For several years our Southern field, embracing North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Florida, has been managed by that indefatigable worker, Rev. Sullivan F. Gale, of Jacksonville, Fla. In this position he has done an invaluable service to the Society and has endeared himself most warmly to the churches. Under his direction the field has been wonderfully developed until it is now too large for the supervision of any one man. At a late meeting of the Executive Committee, Mr. Gale was reappointed Superintendent for Florida alone; Rev. S. C. McDaniel, who has acted as General Missionary for Georgia, was appointed Missionary Superintendent for that State; and Rev. S. E. Bassett, who has held the same position in Alabama, has been invited to the superintendency of this State. All these changes indicate the growth of the field and the need of closer individual supervision. Other changes of the same nature may be reported in our next number.

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REV. ZACHARY EDDY, D.D.

It is with sincere regret that we record the death of Dr. Zachary Eddy, so long a loyal and warm friend of this Society. Dr. Eddy was father of Mrs. Alice Eddy Curtiss, whose graceful pen so frequently enlivened the pages of *The Home Missionary*, and whose loss is keenly felt by our young people. We avail ourselves of the following sketch of the life of Dr. Eddy as published in "The Congregationalist":

Dr. Eddy died of heart disease at his home in Detroit, Mich., Nov. 15, in his seventy-sixth year. His birthplace was Stockbridge, Vt. He was educated by private tutors, and in early youth showed remarkable power as a "boy preacher," serving at that time as a minister and circuit-rider of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in the vicinity of Wheeling, Va. Later he did loyal work in the home missionary field of western New York and Wisconsin. His first pastorate was in the Congregational Church at Warsaw, N. Y., 1850-55. He then came to the First Church, Northampton, where he ministered until 1867. Leaving our churches for a time, he served with great acceptance in the famous Dutch Reformed Church on the Heights, Brooklyn, N. Y., succeeding the well-known Dr. George W. Bethune. There he remained until 1871. Subsequently he was pastor of Congregational churches in Chelsea, Mass., Detroit, Mich., and Atlanta, Ga. Williams College conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon him in 1880. He wrote a life of Christ; he was an authority in hymnology and assisted in compiling two of the leading collections in general use. He spent a large part of last summer at Canaan, Ct., where his brother, Dr. Hiram Eddy, resides. Personally he was one of the most companionable of men, approachable, sympathetic, and as loving and warm-hearted as a child.

THE W. H. M. U. of Colorado raised seventy-three dollars more than its aim last year, and the president declares that "it took time and strength and letter postage to work up the added interest."

A NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER.—At the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Unions, held in Saratoga June 2d, it was voted that Wednesday of the Week of Prayer be observed as a National Day of Prayer for Missions. It is earnestly hoped that the women of the Congregational churches throughout the country will unite in the observance of this day, both in the quiet of their own homes and by assembling together for united prayer where it is possible.

The W. H. M. A. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island have determined to make the meeting "union" in every sense. The following is the arrangement for the day:

Union Missionary Meeting, January 6, 1891, Park Street vestry, Boston. 10 A.M. Introductory. Our Commission. Leader from W. H. M. A., Congregational. 11 A.M. The Foreign Work. Leader from the W. B. F. M. S., Baptist. 12 M. The Home Missionary Field. Leader from W. H. M. S., Methodist. 1 P.M. Praise Meeting. Leader from W. B. M., Congregational. 2 P.M. Prayer for School Girls. Leader from W. A. B. H. M. S., Baptist. 3 P.M. Our Consecration. All for Christ. Leader from W. F. M. S., Methodist.

THE HOME MISSIONARY SCRAP BOOK.—The demand for this publication is becoming so general that the Society cannot afford to distribute it gratuitously. It may, however, be obtained at cost—ten cents—by application to the American Home Missionary Society, 34 Bible House, New York.

A BROTHER from Woonsocket, R. I., writes that he succeeded in enrolling one hundred boys and girls in the Home Missionary Army on Nov. 22, and asks, "*What shall I do with this company?*"

Another asks, "Shall we have a five minutes' drill of our army every Sabbath? Shall we let them march and have a flag to keep up the enthusiasm?"

Have our readers any answers to these questions?

Drill questions for the army may be found in the Young People's Department of *The Home Missionary* during the coming months.

Appointments in November, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Belshan, Miss Anna, St. Louis, Mo.
 Brainerd, Frank G., Jacobsville, Mich.
 Camfield, Lewis E., Colvin and La Roche, So. Dak.
 De Cow, Charles J., East Paris and Fisher's Station, Mich.
 Dibble, William L., Willow Lake, So. Dak.
 Hardy, James W., Bloomfield and Addison, Neb.
 Herrold, Baruch D., Sierra Valley, Cal.
 Kochendorfer, Alois, McPherson Co., So. Dak.
 Lipe, W. A., Omaha, Neb.
 Luark, Marcellus J., San Juan, Cal.
 Moats, John W., Windom, Oklahoma.
 Nelson, A. G., Isanti and Chisago Counties, Minn., and Western Burnett Co., Wis.
 Reichardt, Friedrich, Friend, Neb.
 Sabol, Jan, work in Penn.
 Snow, Beecher O., Campbell and Bladen, Neb.
 Thing, Milo J. P., Arcadia and Westcott, Neb.
 Thomas, Edward, Custer and Garvin, Minn.
 Walker, Edward J., Ipswich and Rosette Park, So. Dak.
 Wright, Stewart C., Deming, New Mex.

Re-commissioned.

Albert, John H., Stillwater, Minn.
 Aldrich, Benjamin F., Sault Ste Marie, Mich.
 Bailey, Amos J., Ogden, Utah.
 Bourne, S., Bedford Park, New York City, N. Y.
 Bramley, John, Gilman, Colo.
 Carlisle, Charles B., Escondido, Cal.
 Carter, Elijah, Edgerton, Minn.
 Clark, Chester M., Denver, Colo.
 Collins, John H., Los Angeles, Cal.
 Counsellor, E. Melville, Essexville, Mich.
 Deakin, Samuel, Hay Springs, Neb.
 Dean, Amos N., Eagle, Neb.
 Drake, Mrs. Mary E., Iroquois, Esmond, and Osceola, So. Dak.
 Empson, George C., Gladstone, Mich.
 Evans, John G., Plymouth, Penn.
 Field, Alden P., Copperopolis, Cal.
 Foster, Festus, Haven, Kan.
 Francis, A. V., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
 Gimblett, William H., Carrington, No. Dak.
 Halbersleben, Henry C., Silver Creek, Neb.
 Harden, John, Brightwood, Ind.
 Herrington, Erastus C., Newaygo, Mich.

Hicks, Lewis W., Denison, Texas.
 Hilkerbaeumer, R., Deshler, Nelson, Guide Rock, and Beaver Creek, Neb.
 Houston, Robert, Vienna and Briley, Mich.
 Huestis, Charles H., Wilcox, Freewater, and Hildreth, Neb.
 Huntley, Sanford F., Emery, So. Dak.
 Isakson, Andrew J., Renovo and Bitumen, Penn.
 Jelinek, Jan, Braddock, Penn.
 Kelley, John W., Verdella, Mo.
 Lee, George H., Seattle, Wash.
 Loba, Victor E., Noble, Mo.
 Luck, Charles W., Pocatello, Idaho.
 McGregor, John, Superior and Bay Mills, Mich.
 McIntyre, Andrew, New Village and Farmingville, N. Y.
 Maar, Frederick H., Niles and Mission, San Jose, Cal.
 Marbie, William H., Wallace, Kan.
 May, Oscar G., Byron and Bethany, Cal.
 Moody, Benjamin F., Hillsboro, Or.
 Nutting, John D., St. Louis, Mo.
 Palmer, Harry, Perth Amboy, N. J.
 Peterson, Magnus E., Chicago, Ill.
 Prucha, John, Silver Lake, Minn.
 Pushing, James E., Lyons, Kan.
 Reitingen, Philip, Silver Lake, Minn.
 Rose, Samuel, Boise City, Idaho.
 Sage, Charles J., Staples, Minn.
 Schaeffe, John M., Hyde Park and Pico Heights, Cal.
 Searles, George R., Cooperstown, No. Dak.
 Seibert, Albert E., Bethel, Mich.
 Simons, Josiah H., East Chicago, Ind.
 Stevens, Frank V., Wellington, Kan.
 Ten Eyck, Edwin, Maple City and Solon, Mich.
 Thomas, John A., Mokelumne Hill, San Andreas, West Point, and Immanuel, Cal.
 Trant, George A., De Smet, So. Dak.
 Trover, Winfield D., Amboy, Ind.
 Walker, Theodore C., Aurora, Mo.
 Wallace, Louis, Callahans, Oro Fino, and Etna, Cal.
 Walton, Richard C., Highmore, So. Dak.
 Webber, Edwin E., Appleton and Graceville, Minn.
 Widenhoeft, William, Hemingford, Nonpareil, and Snake Creek, Neb.
 Winslow, Jacob, Smith Center and Cora, Kan.
 Wise, William C., Rainier, Or.
 Zercher, Henry J., Geneva, Neb.

Receipts in November, 1891.

For account of receipts by STATE AUXILIARY SOCIETIES, see pp. 457-461.

MAINE—\$111.19.

Bangor, Central Ch., by G. S. Hall.....	\$25 00
Houlton, First Cong. S. S., Rally, by F. R. Smith.....	5 76
Norridgewock, Cong. S. S., by Mrs. M. S. Hopkins.....	12 67
Portland, Zenas R. Farrington, collector.....	38 75
Charles A. Brown, special.....	10 00
Sherman Mills, Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. I. C. Bumpus.....	9 00
Standish, S. S., Rally, by Miss A. M. Lowell.....	2 80

West Newfield, Cong. S. S., Rally, by B. I. Garland..... \$1 20

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$320.89.

Received by L. D. Stevens, Treas. N. H. H. M. Soc., Exeter, Elizabeth S. Hall, for work in Oregon.....	\$20 00
Hopkinton.....	23 60
Keene, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band of the Second Ch.....	25 00

75 00

P. C. and L. M. U., Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.	
Tamworth, Mrs. Amanda M. Davis, special.	\$50 00
Amherst, W. H. M. Soc., by Mrs. S. C. Aiken	10 00
Antrim, Mrs. Mary W. Holman	10 00
Hanover, Dartmouth College, by J. V. Hazen	72 50
A few Ladies, by Mrs. C. O. Blaisdell	20 10
Hillsboro Center, Cong. S. S., Rally, by R. B. Gamwell	2 25
Nashua, A Thank-offering	5 00
Piermont, Rev. W. A. C. Converse	20 00
Plaistow and North Haverhill, Cong. S. S., Rally, by J. W. Burnham	1 45
Tamworth, Mrs. Amanda M. Davis, to const. Miss Amelia Lincoln a L. M., by Rev. L. B. Palmer, Treas. Miss. H. M. Soc.	50 00
Warner, Cong. S. S., by P. T. Crough	2 75

VERMONT—\$337.37.

Brattleboro, Center Ch., S. S., Rally, by H. H. Thompson	16 32
Burlington, First, by M. H. Stone	258 00
East Poulinery, Cong. S. S., by J. S. Priscie	10 10
Jamaica, Ch. and Children's offering, by S. T. Crowninshield	4 32
Manchester, Miss E. J. Kellogg	5 00
Middlebury, A Friend	1 00
Rochester, Cong. S. S., Rally, by N. C. Harvey	7 63
Royallton, First, by A. W. Kenney	13 76
Salisbury, Cong. S. S., Rally, by R. J. Barton	4 00
Sharon, by E. K. Baxter	15 00
Sheldon, Cong. S. S., by T. C. Jennison	2 00

MASSACHUSETTS—\$92,135.26; of which Legacy, \$100.00.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.	\$,000 00
By request of donors, of which \$8, from East Charlemont, S. S., Rally	\$1,016 54
For Debt	23 60
Woman's H. M. Assoc., for Salary Fund	20 00
For work in Oklahoma	10 00
	1,069 54

Woman's H. Miss. Assoc., Miss

S. K. Burgess, Treas.	
For Salary Fund	\$275 00
Amherst, Aux.	138 00
	413 00

Adams, by A. A. Millard	110 00
Amesbury and Salisbury, Union Ch., by E. A. Goodwin	9 13
Amherst, Ladies' Aux., by Mrs. M. Henshaw	7 07
Boston, C. A. Hopkins	250 00
J. N. Deussen, \$25; E. Torrey, \$25; H. E. Cobb, \$10, special	60 00
Cambridgeport, E. D. Leavitt, special	15 00
Curtisville, Frances M. Clarke	5 00
Dalton, Soldiers of the Cong. S. S., by J. D. Carson	10 60
Full River, First Cong. S. S., Thanksgiving coll., by G. Frank Allen, for Salary Fund	21 41
Falmouth, First, by O. F. Hitch, to const. Rev. C. H. Washburn, Dea. Seba A. Holton and Dea. Obed F. Hitch L. Ms.	175 00
Framingham, Thanksgiving offering, C. A. M.	1 00

Grafton, add'l.	\$32 00
Granby, A Friend	20 00
Ipswich, Cong. S. S., Rally, by H. B. Perley	5 50
Kingston, Mayflower Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by L. J. Le Porte	5 00
Leicester, First Cong. S. S., Rally, by Mrs. C. E. Grout	3 40
Lenox, Cong. S. S., Rally, by H. Sedgwick	10 00
Massachusetts, Friend	300 00
Merrimac, Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. F. Smart	16 82
New Bedford, Extra-cent-a-day Band, by M. S. Chase, for Salary Fund	45 19
Newburyport, Legacy of Mrs. Sophronia M. Pearson, by F. A. Howe, Ex.	100 00
Packardville, Union Cong. S. S., Rally, by Mrs. D. O. Chickering	2 50
Peabody, South Cong. S. S., by J. K. Cole	50 00
Quincy, A Friend of Missions	2 00
Royalton, First Cong. S. S., by H. S. Wood	10 00
Mrs. H. T. Nutting, toward a L. M. P.	25 00
Salem, Tabernacle Ch., by J. H. Phippen	25 00
Sheffield, by A. T. Wakefield	15 00
Shrewsbury, by H. Harlow	18 00
Southbridge, A Friend	40
South Franklin, Cong. S. S., Rally, by A. L. Wadsworth	1 00
Southville, Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. L. Shuttleworth	3 85
Spencer, by F. E. Dunton	140 48
Cong. S. S., Rally, by G. R. Wakefield	23 71
Springfield, A Friend	500 00
Tatnuck Village, Ladies' Sew. Circle, to const. Mrs. W. H. Cowan a L. M.	50 00
Thornike, A Friend	1 00
Turner's Falls, First Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. H. C. Adams	9 50
Ware, Mrs. H. N. Hyde	50 00
Westhampton, A. G. Jewett, Esq.	251 81
West Hawley, Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. A. B. Peffers	8 00
Whately, Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. L. Wells	10 60
Williamstown, First Cong. S. S., Rally, by C. G. Smith	15 00
Winchendon, First Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. G. W. Jones	4 10
H. D. Newton, by Rev. G. W. Jones	5 00
Worcester, A Friend	200 00
Worthington, Cong. S. S., by A. Stevens	8 73

RHODE ISLAND—\$174.64.

Providence, James Coats, special	100 00
R. Hazard, special	50 00
Newport, United Ch., by E. P. Abian	24 64

CONNECTICUT—\$12,206.39; of which Legacies, \$10,300.00.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.	164 48
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.	
Bridgeport, Ladies' Union, Park Street Ch., by Mrs. C. K. Bishop, for Salary Fund	\$25 00
Bristol, Aux., by Mrs. A. E. North, for Gospel Tent	10 00
East Haven, by Mrs. J. Bradley, for Salary Fund	15 00
New Haven, Ladies' Aid Soc., by Miss Julia C. Ufford, for Salary Fund	41 00
Norwich, Greenville Ch., by Mrs. E. P. Gardner, for Salary Fund	10 00

Pomfret, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Miss M. E. Denison, for Salary Fund.....	\$30 00	\$131 00
Berlin, Cong. S. S., Rally, by W. M. Fowler.....	50 60	
H. N. Wilcox.....	25 00	
Bethany, Cong. S. S., Rally, by Miss L. I. Robbins.....	13 65	
Bethel, A Friend.....	3 00	
Bridgeport, A Friend, by C. M. Minor.....	25 00	
Brooklyn, First Trin. S. S., Rally, by Rev. E. S. Beard.....	21 05	
Colechester, S. S. Cong., by A. A. Baker. Thank-offering, for Salary Fund, to const. John H. Backus a L. M.....	7 50	
Connecticut, A Friend.....	50 00	
Windham Co.....	30 00	
"Yale".....	100 00	
Cromwell, Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. S. Coe.....	5 00	
Enfield, Legacy of Mrs. Esther J. Clark, by C. W. Clark.....	17 85	
Falls Village, Cong. S. S., Rally, by C. B. Maltbie.....	309 00	
Farmington, First Ch., \$30; S. S., \$50.72, by H. W. Barbour.....	7 25	
Green's Farms, Cong. S. S., Rally, by J. E. Elwood.....	60 72	
Guilford, First, by E. W. Leete, to const. Rev. F. E. Snow a L. M.....	6 73	
Hadlyme, by R. E. Hungerford.....	50 00	
Hanover, Cong. S. S., Rally, by C. A. Gallup.....	17 00	
Hartford, Legacy of Newton Case, by J. F. Morris, for Exs.....	10 75	
Asylum Hill Ch., A Friend, by C. E. Thompson.....	5 00	
Roland Mather.....	500 00	
Kent, Cong. S. S., Rally, \$6.53; con coll., \$4.22, by A. L. Tuttle, M. D.....	10 75	
Meriden, First, "Widow's Mite," by W. H. Catlin.....	1 00	
Milton, Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. G. J. Harrison.....	8 29	
New Britain, South Ch., S. S., by E. H. Case.....	32 42	
Mrs. M. B. Coit, special.....	20 00	
New Haven, A Thank-offering, M. B. M.....	100 00	
New London, First Ch. of Christ, by H. C. Learned.....	79 43	
S. S., Rally, by Rev. S. L. Blake.....	14 60	
New Preston Village, Ch., Mrs. S. N. Taylor, by D. Burnham.....	27 00	
North Cornwall, Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. D. Pratt.....	3 60	
North Kent, Cong. S. S., Rally, by A. L. Tuttle, M. D.....	3 00	
North Woodbury, S. S., Rally, by A. W. Mitchell.....	7 50	
Norwich, Mrs. E. A. Huntington, special.....	5 00	
Saybrook, Ann A. Pratt.....	50 00	
Shelton, J. Tomlinson.....	10 00	
Southport, add'l, by R. W. P. Bulkley.....	13 00	
Stonington, add'l, Cong. Ch., of which \$50, to const. Mrs. Anne Williams Harper a L. M., by Rev. C. J. Hill.....	100 00	
Sufield, S. S. of the First, to const. Rev. A. McCord a L. M., by Rev. A. McCord.....	50 00	
A Friend.....	2 00	
Wethersfield, Mrs. T. Griswold.....	25 00	
Whitneyville, Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. G. Dickerman.....	11 00	
Wilton, Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. W. D. Hart.....	6 45	
Woodstock, First, by H. T. Child.....	24 00	
NEW YORK—\$3,778.40; of which Legacies, \$2,876.38.		
Received by Rev. E. Curtis:		
Bangor.....	\$12 00	

De Kalb, Rev. R. C. Day.....	\$2 00
East Buffalo, Halstead Ave. Ch.....	1 00
Moravia, in full.....	5 00
	\$20 0

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, Treas.:	
East Bloomfield, Ladies' Aux.....	\$37 65
Rutland, Ladies' Aux.....	7 40
	45 05
Angola, A. H. Ames, toward a L. M.....	7 00
Bethany, S. S., Rally, by R. P. Jones.....	2 00
Binghamton, Mrs. Edward Taylor.....	5 00
Brooklyn, Legacy of Mrs. Barbara Robertson, by Peter Taylor, Esq., Ex.....	1,500 00
Puritan Ch., by E. Nash.....	103 00
Ch. of the Pilgrims, E. Cobb.....	40 00
Rochester Avenue Ch., by J. Fraser.....	10 00
Copenhagen, by J. K. Griffith.....	9 60
Churchville, by A. D. Stone.....	35 12
Ellington, by Rev. G. E. Henshaw.....	21 25
Granby Center, Mrs. M. W. Harrington.....	2 00
Henrietta, by Rev. D. W. Bull.....	27 10
Hicks, Mrs. S. A. Davis, in gratitude for health restored.....	100 00
Howells, by W. E. Mapes.....	10 42
Massena, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. S. A. Worden.....	12 70
Millbrook, S. Thorne, special.....	25 00
Millville, by Rev. J. F. Howard.....	6 00
Munnsville, Ch. and S. S., by H. Gaston.....	6 60
New York City, A stray wolf, \$100; cash, \$100; J. A. Trowbridge, \$20; P. D. Cravatt, \$10; A Friend, special, \$10; H. S. McIlvaine, \$5; A. Abbott, freight, \$1.....	246 00
Nineveh, Remainder of Legacy of Mary B. Lovejoy, by C. S. Smith, Ex.....	1,001 35
Orwell, by A. N. Raven.....	18 58
Rochester, Plymouth Ch., by E. W. Peck.....	31 30
Salamanca, Ch., \$30.92; S. S., \$4.08, by Rev. M. L. Dalton.....	35 00
Sherburne, On account of Legacy of A. B. De Forest, by C. A. Fuller, Ex.....	375 00
Syracuse, Mrs. B. F. Stevens, Thank-offering service.....	40
West Bloomfield, by M. J. Peck.....	30 50
Westmoreland, First, by James Bell.....	3 06
West Winfield, by A. A. Leach.....	20 00
Yonkers, First Presb. Ch., by H. King.....	25 00

NEW JERSEY—\$95.66.

Closter, Cong. S. S., by G. D. Eckerson.....	13 66
East Orange, Trinity Cong. S. S., Rally, Thank-offering, by R. P. Weeks.....	12 00
Paterson, Auburn Street Ch., by John Chase.....	40 00
Westfield, Cong. S. S., of the Ch. of Christ, Rally, by E. N. Brown.....	30 00

PENNSYLVANIA—\$108.61.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. T. W. Jones, Treas.:	
Ridgway, Children's Miss. Band, special.....	36 00
Bangor, Ch., Rally, by Rev. E. R. Hughes.....	2 50
Ebensburg, First, by C. T. Roberts.....	7 31
Johnstown, Cong. S. S., Rally, by M. L. Jones.....	7 20
Philadelphia, A Thanksgiving-offering, from A Friend.....	40 00
Riceville, First Ch., Mrs. A. V. Griffith.....	2 00
Slatington, by E. H. Roberts.....	10 00
Spring Creek, Cong. S. S., by W. Donaldson.....	3 00

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$30.19.

Woman's H. M. Union, of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.: Washington, First, for Salary Fund.....	\$25 00
Washington, Fifth Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. B. N. Seymour.....	5 19

GEORGIA—\$60.02.

Americus, Davis Chapel Mission Band, by J. W. Rouse.....	7 02
Atlanta, Ch. of the Redeemer, by L. B. Nelson.....	52 00
East Rome, by Rev. F. J. Estes.....	1 00

ALABAMA—\$55.05.

Florence, Newton W. Bates, to const. himself a L. M.....	50 00
Sand Mountain, Cong. S. S., Rally, by Miss S. Z. Standish.....	1 00
Troy, by Rev. W. R. East.....	4 05

MISSISSIPPI—\$6.66.

Meridian, Ch., \$3.30; S. S., Rally, \$3.36, by I. C. Parish.....	6 66
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LOUISIANA—\$1.25.

Longstraw and Union, by Rev. J. Brue	1 25
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FLORIDA—\$54.88.

Jacksonville, Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. H. Scofield.....	8 38
Orange City, Rev. J. C. Halliday.....	25 00
Pomona, Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. B. Olmstead.....	6 50
Winter Park, Cong. S. S., by E. L. Max- son.....	15 00

INDIAN TERRITORY—\$15.00.

Goodland and Hopkins, by Rev. H. Hines.....	10 00
McAlester, by Rev. W. H. Hicks.....	5 00

ARIZONA—\$5.15.

Received by Rev. E. Lyman Hood:	
Lamy.....	\$ 65
Tucson.....	1 50
"A brakeman".....	2 00
	5 15

OHIO—\$370.00.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:	
Berea, by F. S. Smedley.....	5 25
Cleveland, Frank L. Ford, special.....	10 00
Fredericksburgh, by Rev. F. G. Blanshard.....	13 00
Medina, by H. A. Horn, which with \$20, from Y. P. S. C. E., for Bohemian work, in full to const. Rev. J. R. Nichols, Miss Mary A. Curtis, Mrs. Georgia Stowe, and George Thomson L. M.....	180 00
Ruggles, add'l, Mrs. S.....	1 00
Sylvania, by A. B. West.....	9 00
	218 25

Received by S. P. Churchill, Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland: Cleveland, Madison Ave. Ch....	\$5 31
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F.

D. Wilder, Treas.:	
Cleveland, Euclid Avenue.....	\$13 00
Conneaut, Mission Band.....	2 25
Mt. Vernon, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
Oberlin, Mrs. P. A. C.....	10 00
Mrs. P. L. Olcott.....	10 00
Painesville.....	9 40
Wakeman.....	35 00
Wauseon, Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 00
	\$94 65
	\$99 95

Cleveland, Rev. J. G. Hall, special.....	6 00
Coolville and Ireland, by Rev. J. R. Conner.....	3 00
Findlay, by Rev. D. M. Lewis.....	7 56
Harbor, by Rev. G. Staaf.....	4 00
Mansfield, Mayflower Ch., by Rev. R. H. Edmonds.....	10 00
Rootstown, by J. W. Seymour.....	22 12

INDIANA—\$301.25.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis, D.D.:	
Lake Gage, Northeast Assoc., Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$30 70
Macksville, Mary and Nellie Gilchrist.....	55
Terre Haute, First.....	50 00
Whiting, Rev. D. A. Holman.....	5 00
	\$6 25

Angola, A Thank-offering.....	210 00
Lake Station, by Rev. I. N. Tomes.....	3 00
Terre Haute, Mrs. M. H. Ross.....	2 00

ILLINOIS—\$5.25.

Oak Park, Mrs. E. B. Sturges.....	25
South Chicago, A. G. Ingraham.....	5 00

MISSOURI—\$463.89.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas.:	
Amity.....	\$2 60
Breckenridge.....	10 00
Cameron, "Thank-offering".....	3 00
Hamilton.....	9 25
Hannibal.....	6 40
Senior, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 10
Kansas City, Clyde Ch.....	5 57
Mine La Motte, Y. L. M. S.....	45 00
New Cambria.....	17 00
Old Orchard.....	3 00
St. Louis, First.....	11 00
First, Y. L. M. S., "Thank- offering".....	20 00
Pilgrim.....	30 00
Pilgrim Ch., Homeland Circle.....	22 45
Compton Hill Ch.....	20 50
Miss E. E. Snow, from "Ba- by's Mite Box," for Salary Fund.....	6 00
Sappington.....	5 00
Walker, Mrs. E. F. Nelson.....	1 00
Webster Groves.....	11 00
	229 87

Breckenridge, Utica, and Maple Grove, by Rev. J. J. Thompson.....	34 00
Eldon, by Rev. J. Vetter.....	3 00
Green Ridge, Ch., \$24.41; S. S., \$2.53; Ladies' Soc., \$10; Rev. T. Marsh, \$3.06, by Rev. T. Marsh.....	40 00
Kansas City, First Cong. S. S., by H. M. Beardsley.....	9 67
Lebanon, Ch., \$38.85; Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. C. W. Dunn.....	43 85
St. Louis, by Rev. S. Arngquist.....	2 50
Mrs. W. H. Brainerd, special.....	1 00
Webster Groves, by J. H. Purington.....	100 00
Mrs. W. T. Dixon, special.....	5 00

MICHIGAN—\$1,098.90.

Received by Rev. L. Warren, D.D.:	
Armada, Ch., \$21; S. S., \$10....	\$31 00
Chelsea.....	84 00
Clio.....	10 00
Dorr.....	57 84
Fremont, Jr., Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 27
Hopkins, First, \$6.49; Y. P. S. C. E., \$2.38.....	7 87
Hudson, Ch., \$34.09; Ladies, \$20.....	54 00
Lansing.....	31 65
Litchfield.....	5 88
Manistee, Mamie Walker.....	1 00
Olivet, \$52.27; Miss Mattie Goodwin, \$10.....	62 27
Owosso.....	20 00
Romeo, Watson Loud.....	50 00
Wheatland.....	5 00
Whittaker.....	7 70

\$410 57

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Treas., received in Oct.:	
Alamo.....	\$10 00
Allendale, W. H. and F. M. S.....	10 00
Bridgeport.....	2 75
Bronson.....	5 00
Church's Corners, \$6.50: Thank-offering, \$4.50.....	11 00
Clinton.....	20 00
Constantine, A Thank-offer- to complete a L. Mp.....	30 40
Detroit, Woodward Avenue Ch., for Salary Fund.....	50 00
Dowagiac.....	5 00
Dundee, for Salary Fund.....	9 00
Flint.....	25 99
Grand Blanc.....	16 76
Grand Junction.....	5 00
Greenville.....	9 41
Hancock, Thank-offering.....	10 00
Lamont, W. H. and F. M. S.....	5 00
Lansing, Soc. of Systematic Benevolence of Plymouth Ch.....	24 12
Olivet, L. B. S.....	10 00
Rockwood, L. A. S.....	5 00
Somerset.....	11 00
South Emmet.....	25 00
Vicksburg.....	18 00
Watervliet, W. H. and F. M. S., a Thank-offering.....	17 50

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Young People's North Star Mis-
sion:

Clio, Juvenile Mission Band.....	\$12 00
Cooper, S. S.....	5 00
Grand Blanc, S. S. Birth-day- box.....	2 49
Greenville, Y. P. C. S.....	10 00

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Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. A. H. Norris.....	
Adrian, Miss R. B. Le Reve.....	19 85
Calumet, by E. T. Curtis.....	5 00
Croton, Cong. S. S., Rally, by Mrs. C. M. Rice.....	60 63
Dundee, Rev. W. H. Skentelbury.....	3 08
Grand Junction and Berlamont, by Rev. H. C. Hurlbut.....	2 50
Greenville, by E. F. Grabill.....	5 00
Hersey, by Rev. L. F. Waldo.....	120 00
Jacobsville, by Rev. F. G. Brainerd.....	3 75
Kinderhook and East Gilead, by Rev. W. Newton.....	2 00
	5 25

Lamont, Cong. S. S., Rally, by J. H. Luther.....	\$10 00
Mancelona and Westwood, by Rev. F. C. Wood.....	37 50
Middleville, by C. T. Spaulding.....	3 50
Nashville, by Rev. C. M. Arthur.....	5 50
Nunica and Fruitport, by Rev. L. A. Witham.....	12 37
Pierpont, \$6.99; Pleasanton, \$4.46, by Rev. W. H. Hannaford.....	11 38
Pottersville and Millett, by Rev. H. Ap- pleton.....	8 30
Tawas City, Union S. S., Rally, by W. F. Whittemore and J. Hamilton.....	7 00

WISCONSIN—\$29.06.

Clear Lake and New Richmond, by Rev. M. Peterson.....	2 00
Clintonville, Cong. S. S., Rally, by C. E. Gibson.....	6 50
Eau Claire, Rev. G. W. Nelson.....	12 56
Weyauwega, Mrs. H. Baldwin.....	8 00

IOWA—\$24.00.

Prairie Hill, Members of S. S., Rally, by E. Fitzsimmons.....	2 00
Shelby, German Ch., by Rev. A. Kern.....	2 00
Traer, by Mrs. T. H. Best.....	20 00

MINNESOTA—\$227.83.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley:	
Minneapolis, Como Ave., S. S.....	\$2 38
Plymouth Ch.....	43 60
Union Ch., \$8.25; Edina, S. S., \$10.....	18 25
Sherburne, S. S.....	1 00
Staples, S. S.....	35
Wabasha, Ch., \$21.90; S. S., \$12.17.....	34 07

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Received by Rev. J. Earl:	
Arcola.....	\$23 16
A Friend.....	10 00
Marine.....	64 27
Moose Lake.....	3 13
Sturgeon Lake.....	4 40
Willow River.....	11 32

116 28

Fish Lake and Maple Ridge, by Rev. J. P. Rodberg.....	2 00
Minneapolis, Open Door Ch., by Rev. K. F. Norris.....	2 50
By Rev. W. L. Sutherland.....	4 00
Waterville, Cong. S. S., Rally, by Mrs. L. E. Kenrick.....	3 50

KANSAS—\$120.62.

Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. W. C. Veazie.....	12 25
Dial, Mt. Ayr, Ash Rock and New Har- mony, by Rev. N. Emmerson.....	17 25
Downs, by Rev. J. H. Embree.....	3 00
Garnett, by Rev. A. O. Penniman.....	12 00
Garden City, by Rev. L. Hull.....	11 00
Kansas City, Pilgrim and Chelsea Place Chs., by Rev. H. D. Herr.....	4 00
Kirwin, Harvest Home Festival, by Rev. R. F. Markham.....	50 00
Wheaton, Clear Creek, by Rev. J. J. Wilson.....	8 00
White City, by Rev. J. Wilde.....	3 12

NEBRASKA—\$357.40.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:	
Avoca.....	\$4 00
Calhoun.....	1 00
Lincoln, Vine St.....	6 41

Linwood.....	\$31 55
Victoria.....	3 50

\$46 46

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Treas.:	
Lincoln, Vine St.....	4 36
Cash (items not given).....	203 90

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. B. Perry, Treas.....	25 00
Burwell, by Rev. C. E. Walker.....	15 00
Cowles, by Rev. H. D. Platt.....	5 50
Cretz, German Ch., by A. Vogel.....	5 00
By Rev. J. Morach.....	1 05
Grand Island, by Rev. J. Doune.....	10 75
Leigh, by Rev. R. M. Travers.....	2 10
New Castle, by Rev. J. Roberts.....	10 20
Onapa, Plymouth Ch., by M. B. Copeland.....	14 20
Saratoga Ch., by Rev. G. A. Conrad.....	5 00
Palsade, First Cong. S. S., Rally, by A. J. Koonitz.....	3 05
Pleasant View, \$1.75; A Friend, \$2, by Rev. W. Woolman.....	3 75
Scribner, Cong. S. S., Rally, by C. G. Bowler.....	2 00

NORTH DAKOTA—\$23.06.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M. Fisher, Treas.:	
Buxton.....	10 00

Michigan City, St. Petersburg and Niagara, by Rev. D. Woodner.....	10 50
Oberon, by Rev. W. Griffin.....	2 56

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$224.94.

Armour, by Rev. J. M. Bates.....	2 00
Aurora, by Rev. L. P. Sablin.....	5 00
De Smet, Cong. S. S., Rally, by A. M. Eastman.....	6 61
Garretson, \$4.31; Sherman, \$3.26, by Rev. J. P. Dvas.....	7 54
Huron, First Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. L. Kimball.....	41 92
Rev. P. J. Ditchcock.....	10 00
Lebanon and Logan, by Rev. G. M. Leyda.....	3 58
Scotland, by Rev. W. J. Schmale.....	60 00
Siox Falls, German Ch., by Rev. C. W. Würrschmidt.....	2 50
Spearsden, by Rev. A. A. Brown.....	20 00
Yankton, by Prof. H. H. Swain.....	65 77

COLORADO—\$91.05.

Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. G. W. Rose.....	28 75
Denver, Oliver Ch., by Rev. J. P. Smith.....	9 00
Park Avenue S. S., by Rev. C. M. Sanders.....	1 24
Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. R. B. Wright.....	24 50
Grand Junction, by Rev. S. F. Dickla.....	16 00
Ops and Hyde, by Rev. G. Dungan.....	5 00
Telluride, S. S. of the First, Thanksgiving-offering, by C. L. Hyde.....	7 75

MONTANA—\$1.40.

Libra, by Rev. W. S. Bell.....	1 40
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UTAH—\$14.00.

Park City, by Rev. C. H. Cook.....	14 00
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IDAHO—\$11.21.

Pocatello, by Rev. C. W. Cook.....	11 21
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CALIFORNIA—\$1,469.44.

Received by Rev. J. T. Ford:

Long Beach.....	\$25 00
Vantura, Dea. N. W. Blanchard.....	100 00

\$125 00

Received by J. S. Hutchinson,

Treas:	
Berkeley.....	\$76 05
Oakland, First.....	466 25
Plymouth Avenue Ch.....	111 75
San Francisco, Bethany Ch.....	25 00
Rev. F. B. Perkins.....	22 00
Rev. J. C. Holbrook.....	10 00

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Woman's H. M. Soc., Mrs. J. M.

Haven, Treas.....\$595 00

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Encinitas, Ch., \$5.25; S. S., \$3.75, by Rev. J. A. Rogers.....	9 00
Escondido, by Rev. C. B. Carlisle.....	4 66
Hydesville, Rhonerville and Alton, by Rev. R. Taylor.....	5 00
Los Angeles, Third, by Rev. J. H. Collins.....	9 00
Pescadero and Fairview, No. Cal., by Rev. D. F. Taylor.....	3 50
San Francisco, Dea. I. P. Rankin, by Rev. J. H. Warren, D. D.....	30 00
South Riverside, by Rev. J. S. Jewell.....	16 00
Sund Glen, by Rev. J. H. Strong.....	11 20

OREGON—\$11.75.

Beaver Creek and Oswego, by Rev. R. M. Jones.....

9 75

Condon and Arlington, by Rev. E. D. Howells.....	1 00
Portland, Mrs. John Somerville, for Salary Fund.....	1 00

WASHINGTON—\$155.42.

Anacortes, W. J. Hagadorn.....	100 00
Colfax, by Rev. H. P. Jones.....	3 75
Edmonds and Richmond, by Rev. O. L. Fowler.....	9 20
Lake Park, by Rev. W. H. Atkinson.....	1 00
Port Angeles, by Rev. C. E. Chase.....	10 00
Tacoma, Atkinson Wm. Ch., by Rev. T. Sims.....	25 00
By Rev. L. P. Paulson.....	5 00
Vancouver, Pilgrim Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. E. E. Smiley.....	1 47

HOME MISSIONARY.....168 45

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Donations of Clothing, etc.

Anburn, Me., Ladies' Soc. of High St. Ch., by Mrs. John E. Cook, barrel.....	\$50 00
Batun re, Md., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by M. M. Brown, barrel.....	52 92
Barrington, R. L. L. B. Kendall, box.....	60 00
Bethel, Ct., Ladies, by H. B. Sedys, box.....	
Brooklyn, N. Y., Ladies of Clinton Ave. Ch., by Mrs. T. B. McLeod, box, freight, and cash.....	\$27 00
King's Daughters Soc. of Tompkins Ave. Ch., by A. J. Gamell, two barrels.....	215 00
Buffalo, N. Y., W. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. W. A. Capron, box, freight, and cash.....	150 79
W. H. M. Soc. of Pilgrim Ch., by Mrs. F. A. Huntley, barrel.....	80 00

Dover, N. H., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Hannah E. Wyatt, three barrels.....	\$265 02
East Orange, N. J., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Trinity Ch., by H. E. Halzey, box.....	280 00
Florida, O., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Miss R. E. Crandall, box.....	269 43
Fairport, N. Y., W. H. M. Union, by Mrs. A. T. Baker, two barrels and cash.....	91 82
Greenwich, Ct., Second Cong. Ch., by Rev. Washington Choate, four barrels.....	350 00
Hartford, Ct., Ladies' Soc. of Asylum Hill Ch., by Mrs. S. M. Capron, box.....	159 29
Kansas City, Mo., First Ch., by Miss H. S. Babcock, barrel.....	91 69
Manchester, N. H., Ladies' Benev. Assoc. of Franklin St. Ch., by Annie B. Merrill, two barrels.....	179 97
Manchester, Ct., Ladies of Second Ch., by Mrs. C. H. Barber, cash.....	71 00
Middletown, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Miss A. R. Crittenden, barrel.....	36 00
Ladies' H. M. Soc. of South Ch., box and freight.....	142 00
Montclair, N. J., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. W. M. Brown, three barrels.....	115 00
Young Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Josephine M. Wolcott, two barrels.....	112 77
New Britain, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of South Ch., by Mary E. Bingham, barrel.....	113 79
New Haven, Ct., Young Ladies' Working Club, by Miss P. J. Hawthorne, barrel.....	25 00
New York City, Ladies' Soc. of Pilgrim Ch., by Mrs. A. H. Penfield, box.....	180 00
State Charities' Aid Assoc., package.....	
Norwich, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Broadway Ch., by Mrs. John Willard, two boxes and cash.....	376 29
Old Saybrook, Ct., Ladies' Soc., by Agnes A. Acton, barrel.....	116 00
Portland, Me., Ladies' Benev. Circle of Wilkeson Ch., by Mrs. Margaret S. Snow, barrel.....	177 46
Riverhead, N. Y., Mission Circle, package.....	
Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Mrs. E. B. Ripley, box.....	100 00
South Manchester, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Manchester Center, by Mrs. A. J. Spencer, box.....	185 00
Springfield, Mass., Mrs. Jennie R. Schermerhorn, by Rev. L. H. Cone, box and cash.....	48 00
Talbotville, Ct., Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs. S. A. Talcott, barrel.....	107 13
Thompson, Ct., Ladies, by Ellen D. Larned, barrel.....	170 50
Torrington, Ct., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Mrs. E. M. Durand, barrel.....	31 82
Unionville, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. G. Lanford, barrel and cash.....	119 11
Vineland, N. J., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Pilgrim Ch., by E. L. Sawyer, barrel and freight.....	61 95
Washington, D. C., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Lillian C. Whittlesey, barrel.....	
Wellington, O., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. J. S. Mallory, box.....	46 00
West Chester, N. Y., Wm. Abbat, three packages.....	25 00
West Hartford, Ct., Elmwood H. M. Soc., by Mrs. F. A. Handall, barrel.....	77 58
Westport, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Saugatuck Ch., by Margaret E. Backus, barrel.....	31 47
Wilton, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Edward Gimstead, barrel and cash.....	100 14
Winchester, N. H., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Avaline Atherton, box, freight, and cash.....	98 20
Winsted, Ct., Ladies' Aid Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. J. A. Smith, box.....	140 00

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from July 24 to November 17, 1891. JOHN L. CROSBY, Treas.

Albany, by Dea. J. H. Lovejoy.....	\$9 38
Alfred, by John M. Akers.....	11 00
Amherst and Aurora, by Samuel Thom- son.....	18 00
Anson, by S. Dinsmore.....	5 00
Bangor, First, A Friend.....	40 00
Bath, Central Ch., by F. S. Partridge....	25 00
Bingham, by Mrs. Colby.....	3 85
Blanchard, S. S., Rev. J. E. Adams.....	5 00
Brewer, Legacy of Mrs. Martha M. Bates, by H. F. Hanson, Ex.....	75 00
Bridgton, First, by J. H. Caswell, Treas.....	24 00
Bristol, by Rev. T. S. Lewis.....	60 00
Bucksport, Elm St., by Edward Swasey....	50 00
Burlington, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	9 00
Carratunk, by J. S. Curtis.....	2 18
Cornish, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	9 00
Cumberland Mills, Warren Ch., by Rev. E. M. Cousins, for chapel at Jackman.....	75 00
Deer Isle, First, by Rev. J. S. Richards....	5 75
Dennmark, by Miss Clara W. Davis.....	7 10
Dennysville, Legacy, in part, from Miss Dolly J. Ward, by Peter E. Vose, Ex.....	200 00
Dexter, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	10 00
East Bangor, by Rev. Salem D. Towne....	11 00
East Madison, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	7 32
East Sumner, by Rev. D. S. Hibbard.....	10 00
Eliot, by Rev. T. F. Millett.....	13 00
Ellsworth, by Rev. Salem D. Towne.....	15 00
Fairfield, by A. D. Ogilvie.....	7 00
Flagstaff and Dead River, people, by Mrs. S. E. Foster.....	13 00
Frankfort, by Rev. Salem D. Towne....	6 00
Freedom, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	5 00
Gorham, People's, for Capt. Lane's work....	5 00
Hills, by Joseph Riddle.....	70 83
Hallowell, Legacy, add'l, from Mrs. Mary Finney, by A. S. Ellard, Ex.....	54 83
Harpwell, by William C. Eaton.....	27 75
Hirase, by Mrs. J. P. Hubbard.....	3 00
Kennebec Conference, by Rev. J. E. Ad- ams.....	9 29
Kennebunkport, Chs., by Rev. J. E. Ad- ams.....	9 00
Lebanon Center, by Rev. W. H. Bray.....	3 00
Lewiston, Pine St., by Charles Green- wood, to const. John Campbell Mrs. Jennette Campbell, and Mrs. Maria A. Greenwood I. M.....	50 00
Limerick, by Rev. T. S. Perry.....	9 00
Lincoln, M. S. James Polerling, by A. B. Patten.....	1 00
Macataw, Center St., by A. L. Heaton.....	7 53
Marsden, by Frank Dinsmore.....	8 00
Malden, Mass., Rev. T. A. Merrill.....	1 00
Marsfield, J. Miford Foster.....	5 00
New Vinyard, by H. L. Macnam.....	5 50
North Belfast, by S. R. Smiley.....	3 65
North Harpswell, S. S., by Wm. C. Eaton	2 00
North Waterford, by Rev. J. E. Adams....	13 65
Orono, for A. H. M. S., by Rev. J. J. Robinson.....	25 00
Otisfield, from Rev. J. Loring and Mrs. Caroline Turner.....	2 00
Outer Long Island, by C. A. Nelson.....	5 00
Oxford, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	6 00
Phippsburg, by Frank S. Bowker.....	6 22
Pittston, by A. F. Ferguson.....	11 30
Add'l, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	2 89
Portland, Williston, by G. F. Thurston....	67 64
Pownal, by E. D. Disrow.....	9 28
Princeton, by Rev. C. L. Nichols.....	10 00
Reemston, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	10 00
Rockland, by A. W. Butler, for chapel at Jackman.....	30 00
Sumner, of which to const. Albert W. But- ler A. L. M., by A. W. Butler.....	51 07

Rumford, by E. P. Greene.....	\$6 00
Skowhegan, by Rev. A. J. Rackliff.....	15 25
Solon, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	6 03
South Harrison and Maple Ridge, by James Greer.....	14 55
Springfield, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	5 00
Strong, a few Friends, by J. L. Pratt....	1 00
Temple, by A. J. Small.....	12 00
Union Conference, by H. A. Freeman, twice.....	30 00
Upton, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	5 00
Weld, by M. O. Patten.....	5 00
Wells, Legacy of Elizabeth Cole, by A. K. Tripp, Ex.....	100 00
Second, by Rev. C. N. Gleason.....	16 60
West New Vineyard, by H. L. McCann..	5 07
Whiting, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	4 25
Wilton, by Miss A. R. Bass.....	6 50
Woolwich, A Friend.....	2 00
Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary, by Treas.....	134 64
Income on investments.....	475 80

\$2,070 70

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary
Society from September 20 to October 20, 1891.*
T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Barre.....	\$29 49
Brattleboro, West.....	23 72
Cabot, West Hill District, for Lady Evan- gelists.....	3 36
Cornwall, A Friend.....	1 00
Harvard, Mass., Rev. C. C. Torrey.....	5 00
Manchester.....	39 85
Milton, West.....	4 00
Plymouth Union.....	7 25
Plymouth Notch.....	2 75
Rutland, Special, for Swedish Ch., Cen- ter Rutland.....	15 00
Sherburne.....	3 00
Springfield.....	53 86
St. Johnsbury Center.....	10 00
East, for A. H. M. S.....	8 25
South Ch.....	40 00
Rev. C. F. M.....	20 00
Sudbury.....	25 00
Thetford, First.....	21 00
Waterville, add'l.....	50
Wells River.....	27 85
Westminster, West.....	32 00
Windsor County Conference.....	1 75
Interest.....	60 00
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	17 50

Woman's H. M. U., Mrs. W. P. Fair- banks, Treas.: Barton, W. H. M. S.....	\$12 50
Burlington, College Street, W. H. M. S.....	5 00
Putney.....	2 50
	20 00
	\$462 14

*Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary
Society from October 20 to November 20, 1891.*
T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Burlington, College Street Ch.....	\$64 91
Cabot, Lower.....	2 00
Chester, Mrs. Maria S. Piper.....	10 00
Craftsbury, North.....	3 00
Hardwick, East.....	22 00
Hubbardston, S. S.....	1 00
Jeffersonville.....	7 00
Lenox, Second.....	5 00

Johnson.....	\$10 00
Norwich.....	20 00
St. Albans.....	79 58
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., A Friend.....	20 00
Simonsville.....	5 00
Springfield.....	2 00
Westminster, West, S. S., for Lady Evan- gelists.....	5 00
Dividends.....	120 00
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	60 80

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.: Bakersfield, W. H. M. S.....	\$5 00
Burlington, College St. Ch., W. H. M. S.....	10 00
Fairfax, Mrs. M. S. Forsyth.....	2 00
Rutland, W. H. M. S.....	50 00
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., W. H. M. S.....	20 00

57 00

\$524 29

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSION- ARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary
Society in November. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER,
Treas.*

Abington, First, by E. M. Nash.....	\$18 45
Amesbury, Main St., by C. F. Hovey.....	14 66
Amherst, Second, S. S., by Sophia A. Peirce.....	6 15
Andover, Chapel, by W. F. Draper, to to const. W. W. Ramsey, Miss Sophia E. Blake, and Miss Lucia G. Merrill L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	342 00
Theo. Seminary, by W. F. Draper, for A. H. M. S.....	70 00
Ayer, by Rev. A. S. Hudson, Taft recog- nition.....	15 11
Bank balances, Interest on.....	23 02
Bedford, Church of Christ, special, by Rev. Edwin Smith.....	20 09
Belmont, Waverley, by William Jewett.....	13 74
Beverly, Washington St., by Rev. W. E. Strong.....	11 25
Boston, Boylston, by F. J. Leighton.....	10 00
Dorchester, Second, Mrs. Wm. Wales, by Miss E. Tolman.....	5 00
Lovejoy, A. L., special, for expenses on organ sent West.....	11 47
Mills, E. C., for A. H. M. S.....	50 00
Mount Vernon, Sarah S. Pratt.....	15 00
Neponset, Trinity, by C. W. Kimball..	31 23
S. S., by David Taylor.....	18 00
Old South, by R. H. Stearns.....	1,337 40
Roxbury, Eliot, by Alpine McLean, add'l.....	51 00
South, Phillips, by H. C. Bird.....	155 90
Cambridge, A Friend, "F." for A. H. M. S.....	25 00
Prospect St., by S. H. Fuller, for A. H. M. S.....	312 77
By S. H. Fuller.....	45 24
Chadron, Neb, Rev. G. J. Powell, by Chas. H. Nye, of Hyannis, Mass.....	5 00
Charlemont, East, S. S., by Alice Leavitt, for B. and C. H. M. Army.....	8 00
Chelmsford, Miss Mary Winn.....	5 50
Chester, N. H., A Friend, "E." for A. H. M. S.....	2 00
Conway, Howland, Francis.....	32 08
Danvers, W. C. E., by Rev. E. C. Ewing.....	1 00
Dedham, S. S., by Miss S. K. Burgess, for the Debt.....	13 32

* Organ given by Miss S. J. Blanchard, of
Medford, to Monroe, Neb., S. S.

Dighton, South, H. M. Soc., by Martha L. Smith.....	\$10 00
Douglas, First, by Rev. James Wells, quarterly Cont.....	20 95
S. S., by Rev. James Wells.....	3 05
Fairhaven, First, by S. P. Wilcox.....	60 00
Foxboro, by Horace Carpenter.....	23 20
Georgetown, Palmer, Mrs. Catherine P., Estate of.....	200 00
Glocester, Evan. S. S., by David L. Davis.....	15 32
Magnolia, B. and G. B. Miss. Army, by Addie J. Stanley.....	1 35
Hanson, by I. C. Howland.....	6 66
Hinsdale, by C. J. Kittredge.....	84 65
Lawrence, Lawrence St., by Rev. W. E. Walcott, for local French work.....	25 00
By Rev. W. E. Walcott, special.....	25 00
Lexington, Hancock, by W. W. Baker.....	30 50
Lowell, High St., by H. H. Barnes, for A. H. M. S. Debt.....	167 63
M. J. E.....	2 00
Marblehead, First, by N. P. Sanborn, to const. Miss Amy B. Lindsey, Miss Lizzie V. Girdler, and Mrs. Sarah W. Tutt, L. Ms.....	90 00
Marshfield, East, S. S., Rally, by Agnes L. Sherman.....	5 41
Maynard, by W. H. Gutteridge.....	200 00
Millbury, Mrs. Louie S. Putnam.....	5 00
Milton, First, S. S., by Rev. H. S. Huntington.....	6 65
Newbury, First, by Edward Perkins.....	23 45
Newton, Auburndale, Rev. Dr. F. N. Peloubet, by C. C. Burr.....	25 00
Northbridge, Center, by J. W. Morse, special for Debt.....	23 00
O. S. S., A Friend.....	20 00
Peabody, South, by Benj. N. Moore.....	228 00
Pepperell, Evan., by Chas. Crosby.....	6 35
Plympton, First, by Rev. H. F. Hallett, addition to Taft recognition.....	8 00
Mrs. A. M. Whittemore.....	3 00
Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson.....	90 00
Reed, Dwight, Fund, Income of.....	25 00
Salem, South, A Member.....	5 00
Sherborn, Pilgrim, Ch. and S. S., by Lowell Coolidge.....	35 00
South Hadley, First, by L. M. Gaylor.....	26 00
Springfield, Park, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Luther Gulick, for Rev. Jas. Hayes, Coal Bluff, Ind.....	5 51
Sudbury, Estate of Miss Mary Wheeler, by Clinton Viles and E. H. Richardson, Ex's.....	3,615 32
Tisbury, West, by Ulysses E. Mayhew.....	7 36
Webster, H. L. Goddard, special, for French Prot. work.....	10 00
Wenham, by S. E. Kimball, for A. H. M. Soc.....	18 80
S. S., by F. A. Williams, for A. H. M. S. West Boylston, First, by E. B. Rice.....	10 75
Westhampton, by A. D. Montague.....	32 51
Westminster, First, by D. W. Hill.....	23 00
West Stockbridge, Village, by Rev. W. Curtis.....	32 77
Weymouth, North, Pilgrim, Y. P. S. C. E., by S. G. Rockwood.....	12 30
Whitcomb, David, Fund, Income of.....	22 50
Winchester, Elliott Sylvanus.....	10 00
Woman's Home Missionary Association, of which \$5 for French Prot. Coll.....	60 00
Worcester, Plymouth, by E. W. Warren, to const. E. H. Wentworth and Albert H. Inman L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	107 63
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	\$8,150 76
HOME MISSIONARY.....	4 90
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	\$8,155 56

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in November. Miss NATHANIEL LORD, Home Secretary.

Abington, First, Ladies, by M. B. Haskins, box and freight.....	\$134 25
Allston, Ladies, by Mrs. H. G. Boone, barrel and express.....	107 50
Auburndale, Young Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Miss Alice M. Jordan, two barrels.....	210 00
Belchertown, Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Mrs. C. F. D. Hazen, barrel and freight.....	55 00
Boston, Mr. Vernon Ch., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Mrs. L. L. Jenkins, two barrels and packing case and freight.....	288 16
Braintree, First, Ladies, H. M. Soc., by Miss Sarah H. Thayer.....	25 00
Bridgewater, Ladies, by Mrs. Wm. Bassett, barrel, freight, and cash.....	83 00
Charlestown, Winthrop Ch., Sew. Circle, by Miss S. A. Flint, barrel and freight.....	135 00
Danvers, Maple St. Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. A. J. White, barrel.....	32 00
Greenfield, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Miss L. H. Mann, box and cash.....	70 00
Haverhill, Center Ch., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Miss S. W. Tompkins, box and freight.....	100 74
North Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. C. Le Bosquet, barrel and freight.....	156 35
Holden, Ladies, by Miss Nancy Perry, box.....	40 00
Lee, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. J. W. Bassett, barrel, half barrel, and freight.....	109 69
Marshfield, by Mrs. Louisa Alden Sprague, barrel.....	85 20
Montague, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Miss M. Angie Deane, box and freight.....	15 15
Newbury, First Parish, Ladies, by Miss Addie M. B. Little, barrel and freight.....	90 00
Newburyport, Belleville Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. D. T. Fiske, barrel.....	200 00
Whitefield Ch., Tyler Mission, by Mrs. M. F. Gillett, barrel, freight, and cash \$5.....	124 40
Newton Center, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Miss H. S. Cousens, two barrels.....	175 00
Providence, R. I., Central Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. H. E. Stockwell, box.....	154 39
Reading, Ladies' Social Circle, by Miss Jessie Gronard, barrel.....	110 00
Roxbury, Eliot Ch., A Friend, by Mrs. B. T. Hamilton, bundle.....	26 00
Walnut Ave. Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. T. W. Andrew, three barrels.....	226 00
Somerville, Winter Hill Ch., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Mrs. E. S. Hayes, barrel and freight.....	74 08
Southboro, Ladies, by Lucy S. Newton, barrel.....	46 18
Southbridge, Woman's Miss. Sew. Socs., by Mrs. R. S. Keith, box and freight.....	134 00
South Byfield, Ladies, by Mrs. Geo. W. Adams, barrel.....	36 07
South Sudbury, Memorial Ch., Mission Circle, by Mrs. R. H. Hurlbut, barrel and freight.....	109 72
Springfield, First, Ladies, by Mrs. O. E. Pease, barrel \$3.20; barrel \$40.03.....	123 23
Sutton, Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs. C. E. Hutchinson, barrel and cash.....	98 65
Taunton, Winslow Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. Hiram L. Davis, box and freight.....	76 18
Ware, Young Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Annie L. Hills, barrel and freight.....	64 81
Wellesley, Ladies, by Mrs. M. M. Goodell, two barrels.....	191 69
West Barnstable, Mission Band, by Mrs. H. E. Thygeson, barrel and freight.....	32 26
West Brookfield, Ladies, by Mrs. Malita J. Brown, barrel, freight, and cash.....	43 57
Westhampton, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Miss H. F. Clapp, barrel and freight...	48 33

Griggs, Jr., of which Mrs. Mary G. Kenney, \$10.....	\$98 85	Kellogg.....	\$8 20
Hugh and John Balsiger.....	5 00	Lake Park.....	2 20
Husada.....	106 63	Lausing, German.....	4 00
Jackson, Jr., Jas. M. Longley.....	2 00	Larchwood.....	1 63
Knoxville, H. Rowles.....	70 00	Lewis.....	20 86
Lyndon, M. Hamilton.....	5 00	Lina Grove.....	5 68
Marselles, J. Q. Adams.....	50 00	Montour.....	40 05
Mendon, W. H. McIntyre.....	1 00	Muscatine, German.....	15 00
Mill Creek.....	16 69	New Hampton.....	27 16
New Grand Chain, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gunn.....	1 00	Ocheyedan.....	4 67
Nora, D. J. Keely.....	1 00	Ocho.....	9 00
Norris, E.....	50 25	Preston, German, S. S.....	3 00
Oak Park, Mrs. A. J. Hurlbut, \$10, Mrs. Mary Pelett, \$5.....	15 00	Pringhar.....	5 00
Payson, V. P. S. C. E.....	20 00	Reinbeck.....	38 00
Pittsfield, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Doocy.....	50 00	Richland Center.....	50
Miss Phineba B. Purkitt.....	600 00	Robson, School-house.....	1 54
Pratueville, Request of Abijah Powers.....	2,000 00	Rodney.....	1 40
Princeton, A. Friend.....	2 00	Smithland.....	1 50
Prospect Park.....	5 13	Washta.....	1 00
Quincy, H. P. Prentiss.....	5 00	Waucoma.....	5 00
Richmond.....	5 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J. Nicholas, Treas.:.....	
Rockford, Second, S. S.....	43 00	Berwick, Mrs. Henry Taylor.....	85 20
Roodhouse, E. S. Nichols.....	5 00	Creston, W. M. S.....	5 20
Rosemond, of which B. C. Warner, \$100.....	120 72	Des Moines, Plymouth Rock Society, Thank-offering.....	32 26
Roseville.....	25 00	Plymouth, W. M. S.....	4 39
Seward, A. Rugg.....	5 00	Eagle Grove, L. M. S.....	1 90
Springfield, First, W. M. Brewer, \$10, O. M. S.....	15 00	Earlville, W. M. S.....	5 00
St. Charles, S. S., \$5; Fellowship Meeting, \$6.25.....	1 95	Grinnell, W. H. M. U.....	12 15
Sycamore, A. Friend.....	2 00	Harlan, L. M. S.....	2 86
Henry Wood, In memory of Albert C. Wood.....	25 00	Lyons, W. M. S.....	22 31
Thawville, Thos. Adamson.....	5 00	Marion, Y. L. S.....	15 00
Tonien, Mrs. Abby P. Ryder.....	5 00	McGregor, W. M. S.....	7 50
Tonon.....	40 85	"Missionary Tea".....	27 95
Victoria, B. Coleman and wife.....	10 50	Montour, W. M. S.....	3 00
Waupun, C.....	2 00	Oakland, First Ch., L. M. S.....	7 69
Waverly, A. Friend.....	10 00	Ogden, L. M. S.....	5 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. B. Maltby, Treas.:.....		Old Man's Creek, H. and F. M. S., Welsh.....	2 50
Orangeville, Mrs. C. A. Butler, \$50 00.....		Osage, W. M. S.....	4 25
Husada, of which Mrs. P. Leonard, and \$2.....	\$5 93	Mrs. J. C. Montland.....	6 00
Huntley.....	10 00	Mrs. N. C. Deering.....	5 00
Marselles.....	10 00	Prairie Hill.....	3 86
Edward G. Howe, Tracy, Ill.....	10 44	Quasqueton, L. M. S.....	5 00
Mrs. Campbell Strat, Chicago.....	1 00	Rockford, L. M. S.....	1 22
Bookkeeper, Chicago.....	3 09	Spencer, L. M. S.....	1 50
Lucie H. Barber, Polk.....	10 00	Sherrill's Mound, L. M. S., Ger.....	5 00
A Friend.....	99 10		\$207 45
	\$4,139 43	Boone, B. C. Tiffin.....	5 00
		Grinnell, T. O. Douglass.....	10 00
		Iowa Falls, Robert Wright.....	50 00
		Sargent's Bluff, S. B. Savage.....	1 00
		Sherrill, John Baal.....	10 00
			\$745 07

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in October 1891. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Alden, V. P. S. C. B.....	\$6 50
Alton.....	4 00
Atlantic, Ladies.....	10 00
Aurelia.....	2 56
Britt.....	3 00
Buffalo Grove.....	2 01
Chester Center.....	5 43
Corning.....	20 00
Decorah.....	25 85
Denmark.....	15 00
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	0 00
Earlville.....	15 70
Elliot.....	61 00
Extra, S. S.....	1 20
Garner, First Ch.....	30 40
Elvin.....	8 35
Green Island.....	11 69

ERRATUM: In the December number the item, "Sheldon, W. H. M. U., \$5.25," should read Algona, W. H. M. U., \$5.25

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$40,480 74
Connecticut, Bridgeport, \$25; Colchester, \$50; East Haven, \$35; New Haven, \$15; Norwich, \$50; Pomfret, \$30.....	71 00
District of Columbia, Washington.....	95 00
Massachusetts, Fall River, \$21.41; W. H. M. A., \$295.....	316 41
Michigan, Detroit, \$50; Dundee, \$9.....	59 00
Missouri, St. Louis.....	0 00
Oregon, Portland.....	1 00

\$41,059 15

**TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS
OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1891, TO DECEMBER 1, 1891.**

	A.H.M.S	For Pastor's Salary.*		A.H.M.S	For Pastor's Salary.*
New Hampshire.....	\$2,155 14		Indiana.....	\$243 98	
Minnesota.....	3,654 22		Southern California.....	45 55	
Massachusetts.....			Vermont.....	1,102 95	
Rhode Island.....	1,623 57		Colorado.....		
Maine.....	1,463 81		Wyoming.....	522 04	
Michigan.....	1,817 30		Georgia.....		
Kansas.....	148 86		Alabama.....	29 65	
Ohio.....	1,183 24		Mississippi.....		
New York.....	1,155 16		Louisiana.....	1 00	
Wisconsin.....	136 57		Arkansas.....		
North Dakota.....	126 39		Kentucky.....		
Oregon.....	351 15	5 66	Tennessee.....		
Washington.....			North Carolina.....		
Northern Idaho.....	74 15		Texas.....		
South Dakota.....	118 56		Montana.....	58 50	
Connecticut.....	779 84		Pennsylvania.....	68 00	
Missouri.....	676 75		Oklahoma.....		
Illinois.....	1,582 05		New Jersey.....		
Iowa.....	1,999 76		Dist. Columbia.....	418 67	
California.....	595 00		Maryland.....		
Nebraska.....	97 50		Virginia.....		
Florida.....	223 25		Utah.....		
			Total.....	\$24,173 71	

* This column is to show amounts, as reported to the Woman's Dept., contributed by W. H. M. auxiliaries in struggling churches to help pay the pastor's salary, but not credited to any organization.

Woman's State H. M. Organizations.

OFFICERS.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION,
Organized August, 1804.

AND
HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.
Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.
Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2.

MINNESOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized September, 1872.

President, Miss Katherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.
Secretary, Miss Gertrude A. Keith, 1350 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.*

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,
Organized February, 1880.
President, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.
Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.
Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

4.

MAINE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,
Organized June, 1880.

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.
Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 168 Hammond St., Bangor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St. Bangor.

5.

MICHIGAN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1881.

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexander Ave., Detroit.
Secretary, Mrs. Leroy Warren, Olivet.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabb, Greenville.

6.

KANSAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1881.

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.
Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

7.

OHIO.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1882.

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St., Cleveland.
Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

8.

NEW YORK.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St., Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, 59 Bible House, New York City.

9.

WISCONSIN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 540 State St., Madison.
Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Jackson, 117 Washington St., Janesville.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

10.

NORTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized November, 1883.

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.*Secretary*, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.*Treasurer*, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

11.

OREGON.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized July, 1884.

President, Mrs. John Sommersville, 147 First St., Portland.*Secretary*, Mrs. H. J. Livermore, Oregon City.*Treasurer*, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 Park St., Portland.

12.

WASHINGTON.

INCLUDING NORTHERN IDAHO.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

Organized July, 1884.

Re-organized June, 1889.

President, Mrs. N. F. Cobleigh, Walla Walla.*Secretaries*, Mrs. E. Wilcox, Spokane Falls, Eastern Washington.

Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 406 Tacoma Ave., Tacoma, Western Washington.

Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Abrams, Ellensburg.

13.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized September, 1884.

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbin, Ashton.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. H. Thrall, Redfield.*Treasurer*, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Lake Preston.

14.

CONNECTICUT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized January, 1885.

President, Mrs. Jacob A. Biddle, 149 High St., Hartford.*Secretary*, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New Britain.*Treasurer*, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St., Hartford.

15.

MISSOURI.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3841 Delmar Ave., St. Louis.*Secretary*, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3855 Washington Ave., St. Louis.*Treasurer*, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St. Louis.

16.

ILLINOIS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. Isaac Clafin, Lombard.*Secretary*, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington St., Chicago.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Champaign.

17.

IOWA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized June, 1886.

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.*Secretary*, Miss Ella E. Marsh, Box 232, Grinnell.*Treasurer*, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St., Dubuque.

18.

CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

Organized October, 1887.

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 686 34th St., Oakland.*Secretary*, Mrs. L. W. Eckley, 1521 Schilla St., Alameda.*Treasurer*, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St., Oakland.

19.

NEBRASKA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1887.

President, Mrs. Whitfield Sanford, York.*Secretary*, Mrs. E. S. Smith, 716 High St., Beatrice.*Treasurer*, Mrs. H. S. Wannamaker, 24th & Vine Sts., Lincoln.

20.

FLORIDA.

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Organized February, 1888.

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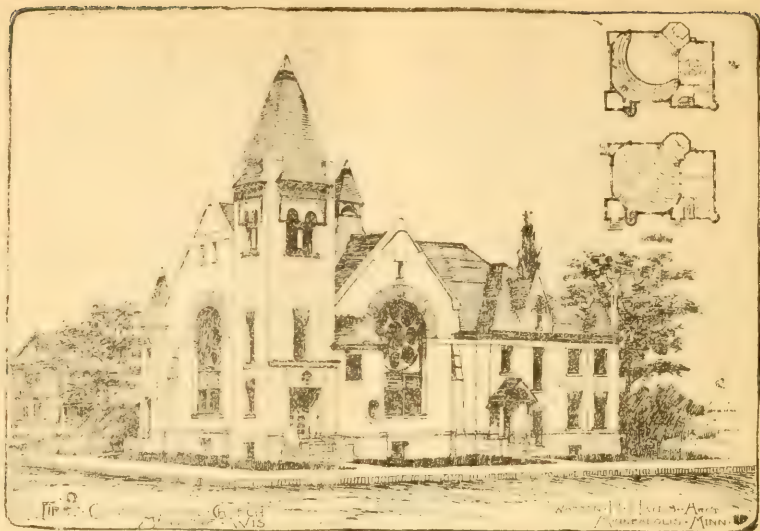
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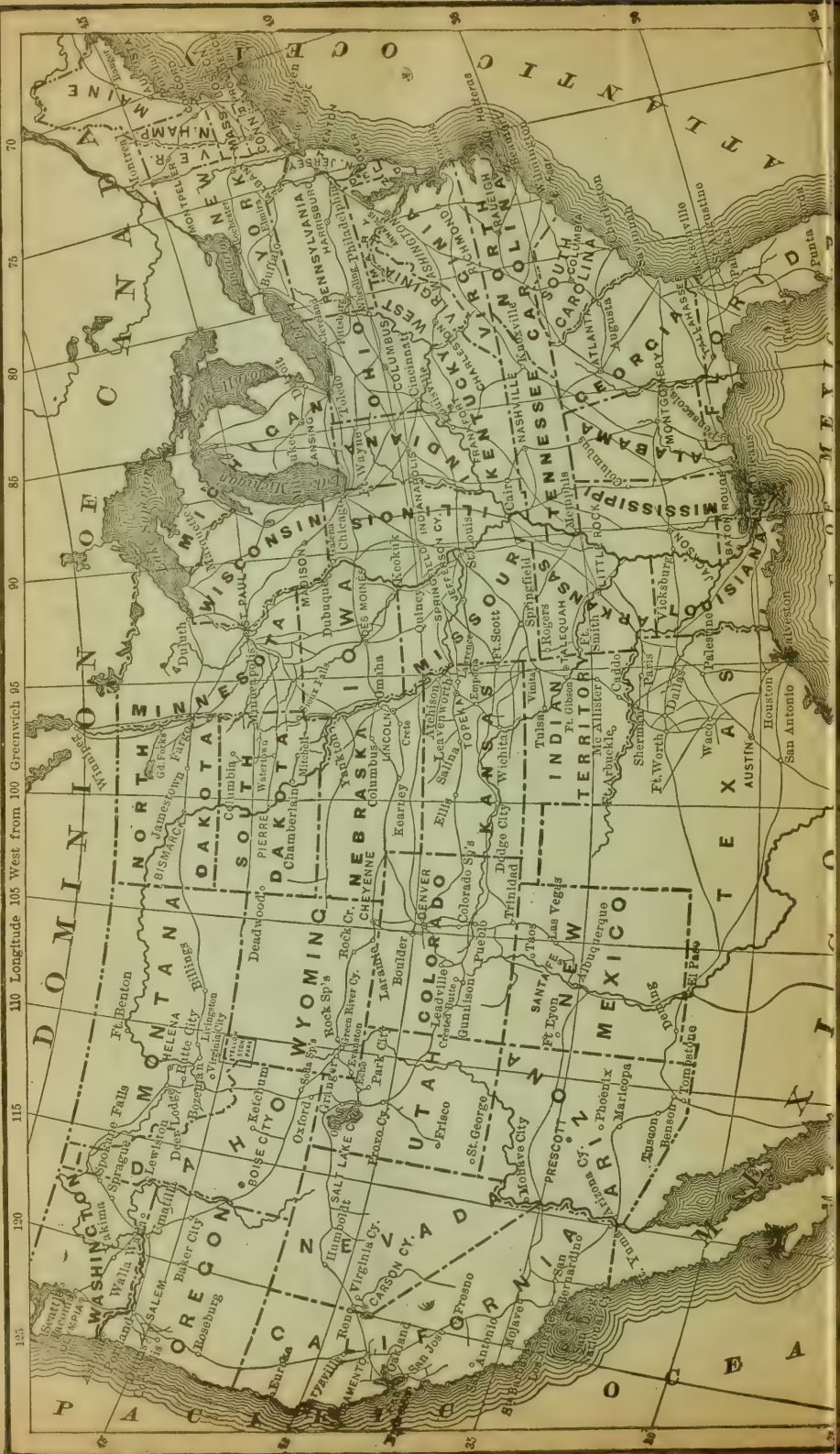
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WHAT marvelous victories have been won by Home Missionaries, and by home missionary churches, because they have gone forward although there was no open way before them.—*Michigan.*

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THERE is no Protestant preaching in these two places, except what I give. We hold our meetings in an abandoned Methodist church building which leaks badly when it rains.—*California.*

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SHUT in by sickness, surrounded by difficulties, the missionary has to call to mind God's marked providences in the past, that he may wholly trust him in the present. "Hitherto hath the Lord helped."—*Michigan.*

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THERE ought to be preaching in these valleys—but when we ask where the money is to come from, echo answers, "WHERE?" It would cost the Society \$600 to put a good man in this field.—*Washington.*

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WE need prayer and money from the East for this growing country. The country and people must be seen to be known. One cannot emphasize too strongly the value of early Christian training. Many Eastern professors are found wanting when weighed in the balances—here. We need men of sincere Christian character.—*Washington.*

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SOMETIMES God says "Go forward" when the way appears no more open than it did to the Israelites. Sometimes a few hear the Word and make the effort, while the multitude are occupied about other things. In all ways and under all circumstances God honors true faith. If we, as missionaries, might learn, in view of what he has done, to trust him implicitly for the future!—*Michigan.*

A STUDY IN HOME MISSIONS.

BY REV. T. M. EDMANDS, WADENA, MINN.

FACTS are the best arguments. The strongest argument for Home Missions is the history of individual home missionary churches. Believing that if the brethren of the wealthier churches knew the actual facts, the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society would be better filled, I propose to give the results of a personal study of a home missionary field in Northern Minnesota.

The Northern Pacific Conference is composed almost exclusively of small home missionary churches. At its last meeting it was felt that something ought to be done to bring about closer fellowship. The churches are so small, the distances between the churches so great, so many of the members are new to Congregationalism, and the changes in the pastorate are so frequent, that the churches often become discouraged, and the pastors feel the need of the fellowship of one of their own denomination. A word of sympathy or counsel at the right moment may greatly strengthen and encourage both pastor and people.

The writer was appointed one of a committee to visit and help, in any practical way, such churches as might request assistance. This committee is designed to supplement the work of the State Superintendent. An account of one trip may be of interest.

One cold night in December a brother minister surprised me by a call. He had ridden forty miles in an open stage to consult me, to ask me to make a week's visit to his field. I responded to this Macedonian cry on the following Monday. A drive of forty miles, thirty of which was through an almost unbroken forest of jack pines, brought me to S——, one of Brother C.'s four preaching stations. This is a P. O. on the stage line. a little hamlet with a very small store, blacksmith shop, and school house.

For some time past the interest in the Sunday-school and preaching services had been increasing. I held revival meetings here for five evenings. There were a number of conversions, and the work at this point was greatly strengthened.

One evening, before the regular service, I gave a half-hour talk on Congregationalism. It had been advertised, and the school-house was packed. There was great interest to know our history and polity, as other denominations had pressed their claims. The regular service which followed was the most interesting of the series.

Thanking God for what had been done, Brother C. and I drove to his home, passing on our fifteen mile drive through H——, a town where a Congregational church of ten members was organized last spring. Sun-

day I preached twice in the Congregational church: my evening subject being, "Why I am a Congregationalist."

Monday, in company with Brother C., I visited an adjoining field ten miles away. A church building will be completed here next summer.

Tuesday, I started toward home, and preached in the evening to a good audience at H——, the town mentioned above.

The different points visited are upon the edge of prairies which make good farms. A railroad is already graded into this region, and the next two years will see a large influx of population, and probably several new towns.

As I listened to the history of the Congregational church on the prairies, and entered into the details of the work, I got a more vivid idea of the difficulty of frontier work than I ever had before. The difficulties can be summed up under the following heads:

1. Isolation. Forty miles from the nearest railroad station.
2. Difficulty of doing pastoral work because of extent of territory to be covered.
3. Preaching three times on Sunday, and driving from twenty to thirty miles.
4. Need of parsonage. No house can be rented in view of the prospective coming of the railroad. Pastor and wife board.
5. Sectarian strife. The Congregational church was the first on the field and the first to erect a building. Three ministers now preach in turn at the stations spoken of. This makes the struggle for financial support a hard one.

Such a field as Brother C.'s would afford an excellent opportunity to put into practice some of the ideas of Dr. Dunning as set forth in the "Andover Review" of November, 1890. Within a radius of fifteen miles there might be developed within two years, if the railroad brings immigration, a dozen preaching points with one thoroughly equipped man at the head of the work. He must have education enough to command the respect of the best minds. The deacon at R—— formerly sat under the preaching of the elder Dr. Storrs, at Braintree, Mass. The pastor should make a study of the needs of this work as the pastor of Berkeley Temple, Boston, studies his field. He must have assistants who can preach, and hold social meetings. Seminary students might be employed in the summer. Everything possible should be done to develop the intellectual, social, and spiritual interests of the little communities. The assistants would do most of the pastoral work, leaving time for the pastor to prepare sermons and keep up with the times in all phases of religious work. I have not time to dwell upon details.

After an absence of nine days, I returned home, having driven one hundred and twenty miles, and preached ten sermons, and having gained new insight into the needs of frontier work.

DID IT PAY?

BY REV. M. E. EVERSZ, SUPERINTENDENT, GERMAN WORK.

TWO years ago we supported a missionary for a little circle of four churches in North Dakota almost wholly, for they had three straight failures of crops. Last year we appealed in their behalf, and sent them much clothing, and several hundred dollars in money, for food and a little seed. This year those churches propose to support their own minister.

A LITTLE circle of churches were aided in 1889 with \$200 in the support of their pastor. This year, besides returning \$110 to the A. C. U., they have raised \$439.37 for missionary objects, nearly all of which has gone through our regular channels.

THREE German boys have a strong desire to prepare for the ministry, whose parents are in each case very poor. They need some more help than the allowance of the American Education Society. One has been helped, through the influence of his pastor, so that he has gone to Crete Seminary, and is at work. Another has been provided for through the generosity of a friend, who has been interested in his behalf. Who will help the third, and have a part in thus preaching the Gospel by proxy?

IT was a noticeable fact at the State Association of South Dakota, that five of the seven churches organized during the year were German. Two of them were born in a revival, one of which is already comfortably and beautifully housed.

THE CROWNING DAY.

BY MRS. JOSEPH WARD, YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA.

MY WELL-BELOVED FRIENDS,—for I must address you affectionately because you have taken such a kindly interest in your missionary of the prairie.

I will tell you of a day that seems to crown the work at Lesterville—the day of the dedication of the little church. You will be interested to know that a nice carpet for the whole church and lecture-room was sent to us in season by Mr. Henry H. Proctor, of Boston. Then, too, the bell arrived just at the right time, and Mrs. Caswell and I rang the first call to public worship that very Sabbath morning, and then she addressed a large congregation during the forenoon service. A little more about that bell. It was the gift of several friends both in New England and in New York State.

The Saturday evening before, many hands assisted in the interesting preparations for the eventful Sabbath. The new lamps had just arrived,

and Mr. Plumb—who has been so faithful to the interests of this little church—went down to the blacksmith's shop to get some rods made of the right length to hold them in place. It was a Bohemian blacksmith who could not speak a word of English, and Mr. Plumb had to find an interpreter, an old Bohemian—Pete by name. In the midst of the proceedings with the smithy, "Pete" called out, motioning with his head in the direction of the church,

"What you call im, eh?—goes boom—boom."

"Bell," said Mr. Plumb.

"Bell, bell—yes, yes," said the Bohemian. "Well, I like to hear that bell, makes me tink of my home—my mudder. Old heathen, old sinner I am, but I got some childrens—I want my childrens to be goot. I want to hear that bell ring tree times every day—morning, noon, night—for my childrens. I gif ten dollar—seven dollar to man to ring that bell, and tree dollar for wear and tear of the bell." And so, after all the years of wandering, the bell brought a message of home and mother.

Are you not glad for the mother who could hear once more the Sabbath bell she had longed her children should hear all these long years? [See *Home Missionary*, August, 1891.] Those who have put money into this bell will be proclaiming in audible tones the blessed news of salvation. "Come, come," it says. "Come to Jesus. I am He that will blot out your transgressions. Come! freely come!" And the very voices of those who gave to this bell shall be preaching Christ long after their own lips are silent in the dust. What a glorious thought, in this way to be forever actually proclaiming the blessed Gospel of peace.

The day of our dedication was a lovely Indian Summer day, so still and warm that large numbers could drive in from the country around. Many came up from Yankton, and from Scotland, twelve miles away, until at the appointed hour the church was more than full. It was estimated that at least five hundred occupied the space in both church and lecture room. The eager audience was packed in. Not one inch to spare anywhere. There was a host of babies with their mothers. At least a hundred people stood outside, and listened to the speeches at the windows. There was a large German element present. In the region of Lesterville is a large settlement of them. They are a thrifty, God-fearing people. Many of them could understand English, and their faces were wonderfully expressive during the services. Many of the Germans and others had to get back to their farms, and so left before the sacrament which was administered by Father Nichols, and (Rev.) Mrs. A. J. Drake. It was a solemn and tender service, just as the twilight shadows were gathering, and the flaming glory of the sunset lighted up every earnest face with heaven-born glory as it streamed through the great front

window of the church. A hush, as of the awful crucifixion hour, seemed to fall upon the assembly, and let us hope that Christians gave themselves anew to Him who gave himself for us.

The ordinance of baptism was administered by Superintendent Wiard, the sacred seal being placed upon the brow, and three little girls were gathered into the fold of the church to be loved and protected there.

"Ah! it was a great day for us!" some of the people said in leaving. It was, indeed, a day to be forever remembered. The Germans do not look favorably upon woman's speaking in public; but one of the prominent ones said, "Ach! the words of the woman to-day went straight to my heart!" and he gave his broad chest a big thump as he "suited the action to the word."

The people seem proud of the little church. I learned that a servant-girl was willing to forego the possession of a new dress that she might put three dollars into the collection.

On Saturday evening, Mrs. Caswell, Mrs. Drake, and I, visited that saloon in which the first religious services were held in Lesterville, and invited the proprietor to close his saloon on the next day in honor of the dedication. We were graciously received, and he promised to close the saloon, and attend the dedication services. All the saloon keepers made the same promise, and the wife of the man who keeps the saloon where we began services gave us five dollars toward the church. There is a very lovely white chrysanthemum in one of the windows of this saloon. It is full of beautiful, pure white blossoms, and I do pity it so, amid its low, its infernal surroundings of big, fat, brown jugs, and demoralizing bottles of all shapes and varieties; and then it has such a dirty, fly-bespecked, grimy window to look out of. A very disreputable awning comes down about the window, so that the poor, dear flower seems gasping for a bit of pure air and sunlight.

That lovely white chrysanthemum symbolizes to me the beautiful new church in this place of evil surroundings. But the little flower preaches of purity and truth, in the midst of surroundings that cannot defile it. So may the little new church keep the faith that was once delivered to the saints, and help every one to want to be pure and true; and preach by its heaven-pointing spire; and proclaim the "glad tidings" afar through the brazen throat of that consecrated bell, until every one shall be brought to Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, "whom to know aright is life everlasting."

I trust, dear friends, that your investment here in Lesterville will never cause any of you the least regret. May you experience the Lord's method of paying interest on such investments.

One young lady, the daughter of the woman referred to as passing

through so much hardship as a pioneer [see *Home Missionary* for August, 1891] is in Yankton College, assisted to this by one of the Saratoga "scholarships." Other bright young men and women are there, helped in a similar way. Pray for Yankton College in the great work it is doing for the young men and women of this great Northwest, for you know this college is very dear to the heart of your missionary.

I must not forget to tell you that a communion service and pulpit Bible have been presented to the Lesterville church, both engraved beautifully: "Presented to the Ward Memorial Congregational Church by Mrs. —, October 1891." Other friends have sent us hymn-books. So we seem to be well equipped for the present.

I wish you may all grow more in love with this glorious home missionary work, and honor more and more the Father "who will have men everywhere to repent, and to know the love of his dear Son, Jesus Christ." Hasten to publish the tidings far and wide.

I am, with grateful love and greetings to all, glad to be, Your Missionary.—*Written to the ladies of Dr. Munger's church, New Haven, Ct., November, 1891.*



THE STORY OF THE CHURCH.

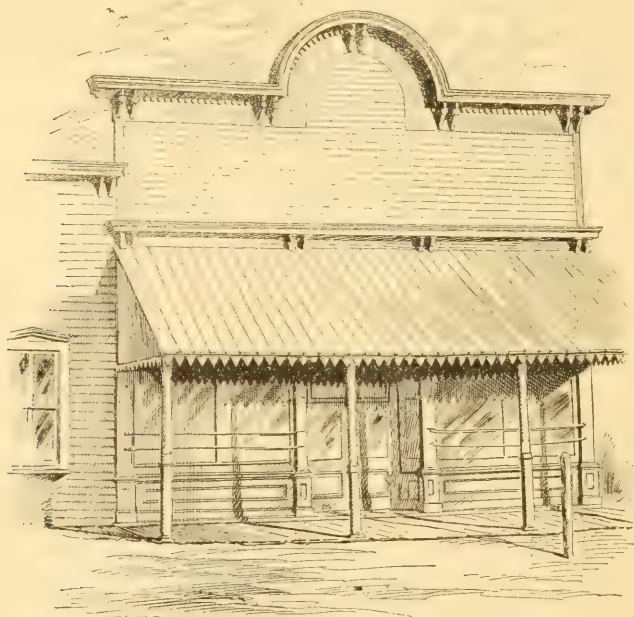
BY CHARLES M. PLUMB, LESTERVILLE, SO. DAK.

[Through the influence of Mrs. Ward. Mr. C. M. Plumb, Station Agent at Lesterville, became interested in religious matters, and with earnest zeal has devoted himself to the work of Christ in this place. He and his wife have given to Mrs. Ward the strength of their sympathy and unwearied assistance through all the difficulties of this peculiar field. Mr. Plumb has the artist's love of the brush, and has put many delicate touches on the little church not otherwise possible. The windows of the tower were decorated by his hand, and it was his thought to perpetuate in this way the names of those who had extended help to the little church in its time of need. The words spoken by this man at the time of dedication will be read with peculiar interest because he was the firstfruits of Mrs. Ward's missionary labors in Lesterville.]

As it has pleased God to place this beautiful little church as an oasis in this desert of sin, and Christian friends have come here to-day to join this little flock in praise to him for his manifold blessing, we feel it a pleasure to tell them briefly of the Christian outlook, taking this spot as the center from which our labors commence.

There are, in round numbers, five hundred farmers within a radius of six miles from this center, one half of whom are Germans. The other half are Bohemians and Polanders, with a sprinkling of English-speaking people.

The first Christian labor that we can learn of in this place commenced in the fall of 1887. Rev. W. S. Bell organized a Sunday-school, which was kept up nearly one year, but was abandoned for lack of interest. In June, 1888, Mr. Bell again organized a Sunday-school, and Joseph Lee was sent here to take up Christian work. He preached twice each Sabbath in the school-house near here. The church which was organized during December, 1888, was practically dead from its birth, as no prayer-meetings were ever held. Attempts were made to build a house of worship, but with the exception of a few loads of stone hauled, no further work was done, as the indifference of the members of the church caused the missionary to be withdrawn.



THE SALOON.

Last December, Mrs. Joseph Ward came here as a missionary, and gathered the people together in an extinct saloon. The pure Gospel was presented in this former den of vice in a manner that drew the audience to a knowledge of the truth. This brave woman stood amid the equipments of a grogshop and told about Jesus—his mission, his sufferings, and his promise to all. People were awakened. A kind brother, Rev. C. M. Daley, came here and went about among the people for subscriptions to build a small chapel wherein to hold our services. His name is placed upon the eastern window of the tower of this building, and the rising sun looks directly upon it. He is with us to-day. May he grow

and prosper in the Lord's work! His memory will ever be dear to our Sunday-school and congregation. The interest increased to such an extent that at a meeting held in February last it was deemed advisable to build a church suitable to the demands of this congregation. Plans were submitted and rejected, ground was selected and considered unfit, until at last the present site was chosen. Upon the ground stood a rickety old house. Mrs. Ward and her little flock had already been obliged to leave the saloon, for it had been reopened for its former purpose. She had been refused the school-house, and was now made welcome at the railroad station. This house upon the church site, poor as it was, we thought more suitable than the saloon or the depot for gospel service; so we immediately took possession and held services there from May 1 to September 1. Monday, May 4, Mrs. Ward drove the first stake and took out the first spadeful of earth for the new church. She did not stop at one spadeful either!



THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, LESTERVILLE.

Rev. Philo Hitchcock came here in May to fill the pulpit during Mrs. Ward's absence East, and worked constantly seven days each week as minister, carpenter, painter, and handy man generally, until the church was completed. His name also appears in the northern window of our tower, overlooking the large field of his labors in this young State.

We have one with us to-day who has had a constant interest in this mission. She has prayed and labored for us, and we cannot but feel that she has been largely the means of enabling us to meet in this beautiful house to-day. We cannot find words to thank her for her goodness to us. We have placed her name in our church tower looking westward, and we pray that she may be spared many years for the work that has engrossed so much of her past life.

Superintendent Wiard has been the father of this work in Lesterville, and from the amount of time he has devoted to us here and elsewhere we cannot but regret that he is soon to leave us for a broader field of labor. He will never be forgotten. We have placed his name in our church window, and we pray that this child of his labor may prove worthy of his paternal care and protection.

Last but not least, we cannot close before telling our friends from abroad of the peace and good-will our dear missionary, Mrs. Joseph Ward, has brought to our homes, our Sunday-school and church. She reaches the hearts of the people first in the home circle; then they are drawn to the Sunday-school and the meetings, having a desire to know more of Christ and his Gospel as presented by her. She has proved a faithful friend as well as missionary; and while we cannot always expect to have her with us as our leader, her name and that of her husband will always be with us and with this church that she has brought to this people, in spite of all opposition and discouragements. We join her in thanks to God and those Christian friends who have helped her to bring about this change in Lesterville.

May the future prove that this work has not been done in vain!

REV. HORACE LYMAN.—The life of such a man is a possession forever. The world's debt to such men is immense. The work done by these men of culture, conscience, and duty, who have helped to found new States, and have willingly exchanged the life of ease they might have had elsewhere, for the privations, labors, and hardships attendant upon the work of laying the foundation and spreading the influences of religion and learning in new places, is beyond all praise and reward.—*The "Oregonian."*

I instruct weekly some older children in the Christian doctrines of salvation. This work is a hopeful one and makes me pleasure. An awakening has been going out from believers to unbelievers.—*A Bohe-mian Missionary.*

THE YALE BAND.

WE are just finishing, at Pullman, our most successful Band meeting. Many persons have been converted and much good done in the ten days; and if only we continued for three weeks longer, I think the town would be captured for Christ. But of course we must look after our own fences as well: and so the meetings have come to an end, with twenty-five new converts from the leading men and women of the town, several backsliders reclaimed, and a general interest in Christian work among the church members and people. I think if we keep on with our stated Band meetings, we shall all become evangelists in the active sense of the word, unless, indeed, the American Home Missionary Society could employ an evangelist for this field and keep him continually at work.

Please send out two BANDS next year to this State. Every day we appreciate the Band idea better, and we long to see more men from the seminaries trying the plan. Won't "more men" bring "more money"? A million for Home Missions might be got if good men stood waiting to be sent. We pray for the West and for good men.—*Rev. Stephen B. L. Penrose, Dayton, Washington.*

Program of the "Band Meeting" referred to above:

YALE BAND.

SPECIAL SERVICES AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, PULLMAN,
NOVEMBER 9 TO 18, 1891.

MONDAY

7:30 to 10 P.M., Reception to the Band by Ladies of the Church. All invited.

TUESDAY

7:30 P.M., "Salvation the Gift of God." Rev. E. L. Smith, of Genesee.

WEDNESDAY

3:00 P.M., Women's Prayer-meeting, led by Mrs. J. T. Nichols, of Pataha.

7:30 P.M., "The Gospel as Power." Rev. Wm. Davies, of Spokane.

THURSDAY

7:30 P.M., "Which Way?" Rev. John T. Nichols, of Pataha.

FRIDAY

3:00 P.M., Women's Meeting—"The Lamb of God." Mrs. Wm. Davies.

7:30 P.M., Men's Meeting—"Enthusiasm for Humanity." Rev. G. E. Hooker.

SATURDAY

7:30 P.M., "The Highest Life." Rev. Stephen B. L. Penrose, of Dayton.

SUNDAY

7:15 to 8 A.M., Consecration Meeting.

10 A.M., Sabbath-school.

11 A.M., Sermon by Pastor.

3:00 P.M., Service for the Children—"Who's Your Captain?" Mr. Penrose.

6:30 P.M., Y. P. S. C. E.—“In the World but not of it.” Chaplain Bailey, Pullman.

7:30 P.M., “His Proprietary Rights.” Rev. E. L. Smith, of Genesee.

MONDAY

7:30 P.M., “The Church of God.” Rev. Wm. Davies.

TUESDAY

3:00 P.M., Women’s Prayer-meeting, led by Mrs. Wm. Davies.

7:30 P.M., “Personal Leadership.” Rev. George E. Hooker, of Cheney.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 P.M., Closing Sermon, by Rev. Stephen B. L. Penrose, of Dayton.

The public cordially welcome. Bell will ring 30 and 10 minutes before services.

A LETTER

SENT TO CHURCH MEMBERS BY ONE OF THE YALE BAND.

PULLMAN, WASH., Dec. 3, 1891.

WILL you read the inclosed letter, remembering that not only as an outsider you are interested in a good enterprise, but that by your profession you place the service of Christ foremost in its claims upon your time, thought, and means. We have been bountifully blessed from God; let us be large-hearted and open-handed in this service, giving as our prosperity allows.

At the church meeting last night it was decided to continue the envelope system, so modified as to be in accord with the inclosed pledges, making it possible for those who prefer to pay their subscription quarterly to the treasurer.

I should be glad to have every member of the family, and certainly every church member, feel that there is a part for them in the offering, as well as in the singing, reading, and praying. To see each one dropping in an envelope each Sunday will stimulate others to give. Let the children be asked if they would not like to help; they shall be supplied with envelopes, even if they can earn but a penny a week for Christ’s work.

The Missionary Society in the East, knowing of our great prosperity, expect great things. Let us not disappoint them. Cannot each one increase his or her subscription of last year at least a little? Let us be prompt and liberal!

“What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?”

Cordially your pastor,

L. O. BAIRD.

It seems that my lot here is cast with the poor, for all the rich do not want to know anything about religion. Theater, opera, saloons, beer halls, dancing rooms, such, and still worse kind of places are the places for their pleasures. They say with their actions as well as with their words, “There is no God!” Such is the field.—*German Missionary.*

PROGRAM FOR A HOME MISSIONARY CONCERT ARRANGED FROM THE HOME
MISSIONARY SCRAP BOOK.

Voluntary and Doxology.

Prayer.

Singing—"Praise to God, immortal praise."

Responsive Reading.—Psalm 33.

Our Country, What is it? Illustrated with map of United States, with twenty Foreign Countries on it, taken from "Leaves from Our Country."

Vermont Domestic Missionary Soc. Aunt Polly's Opinion.

Soliloquy of A. H. M. S. From the Field—Slavonic.

Missionary Mathematics. The Young Swede.

The Mormon Elder. Points.

A Few Points. Why Help is Needed West.

One of the 1,200. How Great?

Singing.

Singing.

Seven Ways of Giving.

Song of the Mites.

What They Say.

Gifts Within Power of All.

Points.

Children, You Can Do it.

We Can Reach All.

As He Gave Thee.

A Piece of Paper.

A Point.

His Story.

My Father's House.

Pay for the Pitchers.

Paganism—A New Spain.

From Washington.

Questions and Answers.

One-minute Remark by Pastor on the CONTRIBUTION for the American Home Missionary Society.

Singing—"America.

Benediction.

—*Randolph, Vermont.*

Price of the Home Missionary "Scrap Book," ten cents.

FROM FLORIDA.

BY REV. J. C. C. HARRIS, OCOEE, FLA.

ABOUT the first of April I commenced a protracted meeting at Bethel, a Congregational Methodist church three miles southeast of Ocoee, Orange County, Fla.

During the meeting the whole church, consisting of twenty-seven members, united with the Congregational church. They have a beautiful lot, one acre of land, and a good building on it that will seat about three hundred people. The church is out of debt, and in fine working condition. I also organized a Sunday school of forty children and adults.

Great interest in the Sunday-school and church. This church adopted the "Confession of Faith" of the Lake Brantley Congregational Church. This is one of the best communities I have seen in the State. The land is rich, and there are several fine orange groves in this neighborhood, and the people are prosperous. Most of the members of this church are heads of families, and there is a fine prospect for a good large church here. There were several conversions during the meeting, and there are several that will unite with the church as a result of the meeting. This place is near Clarcona and Apopka, and added to these two points will make a good strong work.

Owing to the financial depression here we shall be dependent on the Home Missionary Society for aid for the present, but there is a great future for our churches in Florida and the Southern States. I came from California to this State, and am much pleased with this climate and the work here.

The Southern people like Congregationalism, and we have a fine field for work in the Southern States.

IN THE BEGINNING.

BY C. F. PLYMPTON, PORTLAND, OREGON.

I CAME with my family to East Portland in 1879. I soon learned that a Congregational church had been organized here eight years before, at which time lots were secured, and a foundation for a house of worship commenced, which remained in an unfinished condition many years. The little band of thirteen members who formed the organization moved away, with the exception of Sister Laing, who was left alone, the only resident member to hold the field, although Dr. J. P. Sheffield and wife, and Brother William Brainard and wife, were living only five miles away.

At the time of organization Rev. W. R. Joslyn was called and installed pastor. He remained about one year. The church pledged him \$100, and the balance of his support was to come from the American Home Missionary Society. But for want of adequate support, the work was necessarily discontinued. Of these eight years there is little on record. No additional members were received, and only irregular meetings were held. We know that the faithfulness of these five kept the organization together, and services were held as often as place and preacher could be had.

In January, 1878, another attempt was made to commence active operations, and an old building which had been used for a school-house was secured and seated. Here a Sunday-school was organized under the superintendency of Brother Chaffee of Portland, and a preaching service or a lay service, was maintained with reasonable regularity from that time on.

Through the untiring energy and faith of Rev. G. H. Atkinson, D.D., the church was encouraged to commence the erection of a house of worship, on the foundation already laid, in the fall of 1878. Without money in hand, but sustained by prayer and faith, Sister Laing was appointed to solicit subscriptions of money for the purpose, and the effort was successful. The building was at this time put up and inclosed, when another halt of a year was necessary.

At about this time it was my privilege to be a fellow-passenger with Dr. Atkinson on board a steamboat on the Columbia on my first trip up the river. It did not take long for his watchful eye to detect that we were new-comers, and, in a short time he had found out that we had come from the East, that we were going to make Oregon our home, and that we were Congregationalists. We learned from him that East Portland was a place of promise, and that a Congregational church had been organized there, and was in need of active workers, and we were urged to locate there and help on the cause which, in due time, we decided to do.

I found the church situated in a locality which seemed promising eight years before, but now, from local causes, was a sparsely settled community, while the city was growing up in another direction; but we persevered against obstacles with the belief that it would be all right at some time, as has now been proved.

In due time the house was plastered, and seated with benches, and on Forefathers' Day, December, 1879, it was dedicated to the worship of God. Rev. E. P. Baker, of San Francisco, had been called to supply for one year, and he preached the dedication sermon, Dr. Atkinson offering the dedicatory prayer. Mr. Baker's support came largely from the American Home Missionary Society, but on account of ill health he remained only about six months, and we were again left without pastoral care for over a year. During this time we were dependent upon Dr. Atkinson and Chaplain R. S. Stubbs of the Seaman's Friend Society, and whoever could be secured.

The first years of the existence of the home missionary churches are largely the same, made up of trials, sacrifices, and genuine Christian zeal on the part of those who organize and carry the work to self support,—and this church was no exception. I often turn back the leaves of memory's pages and recall the labors performed by those who have gone to their reward without witnessing the result of what their hands helped to plant, and their prayers to sustain.

For several years after occupying the new building there were scarcely men enough to fill the various offices, and the greater burden and responsibility fell upon a few. Young and willing hands played the organ without pay, and the building was cared for, without charge, by different persons, so that all money received could be applied on the debt

or for support of the preaching. The faithful ones, who through all the early years sustained by their presence the weekly prayer-meeting and the Sunday-school, helping on the work with their talents, their money, and their hands in every way they could, can never be forgotten.

In times of discouragement the question has been asked whether the effort paid. As we look about the church now and see many of the little ones of the former days now grown up and among the earnest working members of the church, we feel the assurance that the sacrifices were not in vain. Step by step the work has gone forward, under the leadership of different ministers. The years 1836 and 1837 were fruitful seasons for ingatherings, and in 1838 we reached self-support,—a marked period in our history—only regretting that we were obliged to depend so long upon the fostering care of the American Home Missionary Society. —Written for the Oregon Number of *The Home Missionary*.

WHO WANTS THE BLESSING?

HUNTINGTON, in the extreme eastern part of Oregon, is a railroad division town. Five years ago a minister stopped over, in passing through. He was not even allowed to preach to the people from a box in the open air.

In March I visited there. My predecessor had started a Sunday-school there a year ago, and I had visited the place once before. At the time of my recent visit the population numbered about 500. Four saloons are running night and day. Gamblers visit the place at every pay-day of the railroad employees, going away with a large share of their earnings.

The place supports three general stores, and the only religious service is our Sunday-school—except a recently formed railroad branch of the Y. M. C. A. work. This is due to the liberal management of the Union Pacific Railroad and the Christian service of Assistant Manager W. H. Holcomb, of Omaha.

A dozen Christian people met me in response to household visitation and a general notice, of those who desire to have and join a Congregational church. Yet our A. H. M. S. cannot send a preacher there because the treasury is low.

“How can they preach except they are sent?” Our Sunday-school has held the ground for Christ. Seventy-five people gathered in the hall over one of the saloons—the only available place of meeting—listening eagerly to the preaching of the Gospel in spite of the uproar and ridicule in the saloon below. We must now have a church if the place is to be held. Some church is going to be organized there soon. A Congregational church is wanted.

Woman's Department.

GOD'S PRONOUNS.

"Where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?"—JER. 13: 20.

By MRS. E. R. DRAKE, MANHATTAN, KANSAS.

It was missionary Sunday, and the earnest pastor had preached a most telling sermon on the subject of missions in general, taking for his text the impatient words of impenitent Cain, "Am I my brother's keeper?" I somehow felt as I listened that in some measure we had something of the spirit of Cain, as we so often put off, from one excuse or another, our responsibility in bringing our brothers to Christ. He needed hardly to quote the text, "Yea, I think it meet as long as I am in this tabernacle to stir you up by putting you in remembrance," for his burning words had been working havoc with our memories, and many of them were not pleasant. They were strange mixtures of half-hearted zeal or no zeal at all; of flimsy excuse or perhaps too great indifference to even frame an excuse for lack of interest; of time for everything else desired, but no time for this work of the Lord; of forgetfulness of the day of the missionary meeting; of spasmodic giving, and sometimes, we shame to say, of grudgingly giving back to the Lord his own. And then when he came to statistics showing the direful need, and the millions in the hands of Christians, we could almost hear the cry, "No more new work!" ringing its death-knell all along the lines, and see the sorrowful faces of the dear missionaries as they thought of the great calamity to God's work that this order brought. Oh, surely we *were* all put in remembrance, and many of us to shamefaced remembrance, with sorrow be it said.

But of one part of the sermon only, and something of the results it brought, was I to tell you, and that was the last division,—put last, the good man said, because it was most important—and this was work among the children: most important because it gave such rich promise for the future: most important because one earnest woman could stir up a whole neighborhood of children, and through them reach mightily the parents.

He added to his already chosen text these firebrand words of God to Jeremiah, the mourning prophet: "Where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?" and many of *us* mourned that day as we recognized God's voice speaking to us. We thought we could hardly wait a day before going to work among them; but we did. The impressions made by that ringing sermon wore away, as so often they do, and we went back again to our selfish lives; or, at least, all but one, and in this heart the seed sprang up to bear an hundred-fold. Blessed be the workers who will thus let God prepare the soil of their hearts.

The minister had appealed for a leader for the children, who so much needed instructing, and as we cast about in our minds for the chosen one, none of us thought for a moment of the timid, shrinking, little woman, that had never done anything much, and we had no thought that she ever would. But truly "God's thoughts are not as our thoughts." He saw first the willing mind to be used anywhere, and he shaped her into the blessed, effective leader of this Children's Band that has already a glorious history.

She has since confessed to us the whole story of God's leading, and of the timidity with which she took up the work that has grown to be dearer to her than she can now tell. We would not let her off at one of our meetings until she had told us all about it, and I will give it to you in her own words.

HER STORY.

"I know there was not one among all the dear sisters who listened to the pastor's sermon that day, so wholly unfit as I for this blessed and responsible work. I knew my unfitness, and I had no thought then of the possibility of my taking it up. I only felt that it must be done, and felt impelled to pray that God would raise up the leader. I watched and waited for weeks, as you know, expecting daily that some one of you, who are so capable, would volunteer, selecting one after the other of you in my own mind, as so well fitted for it, and all the time praying for the chosen one, whoever she should be. Finally I could wait no longer, for the words of Jeremiah had kindled their fire in my bones, and all day long, no matter what I was doing, there rang in my ears, 'Where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?' But, sisters, not for one moment did I think it mine. I was all the while giving it to one of you.

"At last one day I went to the pastor to ask him what he could do to induce one of you to take it, telling him how the Lord had led me to pray for a leader, and that I felt we *must* have one, and no longer neglect this great work. I named one after another, and, you will pardon me, my dear sisters, when I tell you that he said he had been to you all, and that you each had felt you had good reasons for not undertaking it. 'And now, Mrs. Brown,' he said, and there were tears in his eyes, I am sure I cannot tell why, unless he felt what a venture he was making in what he was about to say, 'I believe God wants you to take it, and he has holden my eyes all the time he has been fitting you for it; for I will confess I have not once thought of you.' And, sisters, I could not wonder that he had not, I was only amazed at what he proposed, and told him I was sure he had made a mistake, for I had never done anything of the kind, and did not believe I ever could. No! I am sure I can't, so please say no more about it. But he only said, 'We need not decide it to-day, Mrs. Brown; go home and pray about it, and the day after to-

morrow come over and tell me your decision.' I went home with only one thought in my mind. Of course I shall tell him then just what I do now. *I know I could not do it.*

"I prayed all the time, it seemed to me, for the next few days, and the more I prayed the more the Lord's pronouns 'thy' and 'thee' in his words to Jeremiah burned themselves into my heart, until I said, almost fiercely, 'Lord, you *can't* mean me; there must be a mistake.' And then, dear sisters, don't think me superstitious when I tell you that I seemed really to hear the words repeated with terrible emphasis: 'Where is the flock that was given *thee*—*thy* beautiful flock?' I can't tell you any more of this, only that I never felt so little and mean and fit for nothing before in my life as I did then. Another text, 'My strength is made perfect in weakness,' came to me; and it flashed upon me that the Lord was to be the leader, and for that reason he chose the poorest and most unfit workman among us all, that his name should have all the glory, and it *is* all his."

She could not say another word, but I can add that, instead of the poorest and most unfit workman among us, she seemed a glorified saint, and all the rest of us unwilling and hard-hearted sinners.

We went to the pastor and learned it all—how Mrs. Brown had gone to him with such humility in her assent, with such readiness to be guided in the work and such eagerness to learn. She had said to him, "I want you to send to all the Missionary Societies and get for me everything that can possibly help me in the work I want to do. You must come to the first meeting and tell the children how much they must work to make the Band a success with such a weak leader. He went, and when he left that meeting the children thought, as we older ones did, that she was a saint, and they have never changed their minds nor had reason to. She went to work with a determination to succeed, and has done it most wonderfully. She prayed a young lady who had never before been interested, into the service, to help her in the singing; and then she set about, in the most systematic manner, to teach them anything and everything that children could learn of the great mission work of the world.

She could not stay away from one of our ladies' meetings, for the more she studied and learned for the children the more she became interested, and the more responsibility did she feel to do all she could herself. Her contributions were something alarming to us who thought we knew what liberal giving was; and if during these years since that Mission Band was started our contributions have doubled and then quadrupled, the Lord knows to whose account to credit it.

"But you haven't told us what she did in her Band to make it so successful," I imagine I hear some one say.

She put, first and foremost, the fire of earnestness into it; she sea-

soned her work with prayer, and expected God to lead, and he did. She took one subject after another and taught them all she could simplify for them; and she used often to say, "You don't have to simplify much after all for children; they learn startling facts as quickly as grown people." She had them repeat many times what she had taught them until they had it fixed in their minds never to be forgotten. She talked to them about the missionaries until they came to know and love them. She read to them stories; she taught to one and another recitations and dialogues which she found in little books prepared for Children's Bands; and every three months she gathered the best of these things all together and gave a little public entertainment, where a contribution was taken by some of the wee ones, whom any one would be ashamed to refuse.

It would do your hearts good to hear the little things give the number of mission stations in China, India, and Japan, and then go to the map and point them out, while with terrible meaning in their little voices they would tell what millions must be reached by these few missionaries, if reached at all. But more pathetic than anything, I think, were their lessons and appeals for the homeland. Mrs. Brown often said that she felt she must make the home work terribly real to them, because they could not too soon learn that to Christianize and educate the foreigners in our own country meant to prepare teachers that would be most effective among their own people in foreign lands.

They told of the thousands of unchristian foreigners landing on our shores every year; of the many settlements in our own country where the Gospel was never heard; of children growing up in ignorance of God in our own beloved and Christian America; of the money needed by the great mother Society to carry on the blessed work, and of how much children could help her.

She induced them to save and make money in various ways, and helped them with suggestions. But time would fail me to tell of the fertility of her mind as she went on in her God-given work. I will on add this: She simply did what you and I could do if we had a mind to let God work with and through us.

And that brings me to my last point, the summing up in a few words the recipe for our dear Mrs. Brown.

Ninety parts of holy willingness to work anywhere God wants her, mixed most thoroughly with humility; five parts of faith, determination, and perseverance stirred well together; four parts of desire for knowledge; and one part of what the world calls ability. This mixture set to rise with the leaven of prayer in the warm rays of God's love, and you have a woman sweet, tender, and loved, that will carry the very bread of life, which *she* is, to the hungry little souls in any community.



— Our Young People. —

DRILL QUESTIONS FOR THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.

7. What is the object of this army?

Ans. As valiant soldiers of Christ to win this land for him.

8. Is not this a Christian land?

Ans. It is called a Christian land.

9. What is the truth about our country?

Ans. God has blessed it above all other lands, and yet there are many dark places in it where the story of Jesus Christ and his wonderful redemption, has never been told; and because of this the people are ignorant, and superstitious, and idolatrous, and desperately wicked, and they need missionaries.

10. What do you know about the children in these places?

Ans. They do not hear the name of God, except in oaths, and they do not know what a Sunday-school is like.

11. What dreadful thing do some of the mothers write to us?

Ans. That when their little children die, they bury them in the ground without even a prayer, because there is no one who can pray.

12. How may the boys and girls help win our land for Christ?

Ans. 1. By praying for the workers.

2. By giving money for them.

3. By studying the work so that when we are older we shall know how to help wisely.

4. By trying to interest others.

Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.—*Paul.*

ARMY RECEIPTS.

<i>Regiment.</i>	<i>Companies.</i>	<i>Receipts.</i>
Arizona.....	1	\$5 80
California.....	2	26 40
Colorado.....	2	12 30
Connecticut.....	27	321 34
District of Columbia.....	2	8 35
Florida.....	2	6 54
Illinois.....	1	13 00
Indiana.....	5	31 55
Iowa.....	3	21 25
Kansas.....	1	76
Massachusetts.....	33	426 13
Maine.....	12	90 72
Michigan.....	7	37 25
Minnesota.....	6	59 59
Missouri.....	6	26 65
Montana.....	1	5 77
Nebraska.....	6	61 62
New Hampshire.....	4	37 40
New Jersey.....	2	22 17
New York.....	12	119 39
“ “ L. I.....	3	89 28
North Carolina.....	1	3 50
North Dakota.....	3	46 87
Ohio.....	6	41 39
Oregon.....	2	14 16
Pennsylvania.....	4	18 90
Rhode Island.....	4	63 09
Southern California.....	1	10 00
South Dakota.....	6	41 30
Vermont.....	13	62 28
Washington.....	11	115 56
Wisconsin.....	1	8 26
Wyoming.....	1	5 00
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		\$1,853 57
First week.....		354 26
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First month.....		\$2,207 83

Is not this a royal record for the King's Army? Over two thousand dollars in four weeks after Rally Day! "And still there's more to follow," for several Sunday-schools are just waking up to the fact that there

was a Rally Day on November 22, and that they had no part in it, and beg to receive the exercise and enrollment cards, and have it now. We are filling such orders every day, and shall have some more figures to present to you in the next magazine.

RALLY DAY IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS.

GILMAN CHURCH,

Next Sunday, November 22,

THREE SERVICES

Will be held in behalf of the

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

11 o'clock, Morning—2:30, Afternoon—7:30, Evening.

EXERCISES BY THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL SCHOLARS.

AT EACH SERVICE,

SOLDIERS ENROLLED

in the

HOME MISSIONARY ARMY!

COME EARLY!

BRING—YOUR—POCKET-BOOKS!

JOHN BRAMLEY, *Pastor.*

BULLETINS.

ARMY bulletins accompanied by checks and money orders for supplies at the front are still coming in at headquarters, 34 Bible House, New York City, from which we furnish Chapter Number Two.

FROM ARIZONA.—We had only fifty scholars present on Rally Day, but we send you \$5.80. We could do better if we had a pastor, but this is not bad for so small a school.

FROM MASSACHUSETTS.—Our Home Missionary Rally Sunday yields you \$38.36. The missionary work is never made too pressing, nor are the appeals too frequent or importunate, many good friends to the contrary notwithstanding. Our school is to try the plan next year of giving the offerings of special Sundays to special objects, among which are our "Seven Societies." In this way the good work will go on with us, and also with the Societies.

We send you \$44, which is quite a large contribution for our Sunday-school, numbering 255 scholars. Our church was started and helped for some time by the Home Missionary Society, and I am glad that we are

able to contribute to the cause of Home Missions. The Rally Exercise was quite a success. We have framed the motto you sent us, and it hangs over my desk in the Sunday-school room. I believe good seed has been sown by the exercises of this day, which will increase the interest not only of our school but of our church in Home Missions.

FROM NEBRASKA.—We congratulate the American Home Missionary Society on sending out a Rally Exercise so finely adapted to interest the young and old in our Sunday-schools.

FROM NEW YORK.—We kept Rally Day, and send you \$5.38. Our Sunday-school numbers 57. I wish we could send you more money, but we are in the country and pretty well scattered. We shall watch this movement of the Boys' and Girls' Army with great interest. It is sure to succeed.

The boys and girls of our part of the Army send you \$8. We think under the circumstances we have done well. The school is small, the weather was unfavorable; it was dark, it rained, and the roads were very muddy, as they always are here in November.

FROM NORTH CAROLINA.—I wish you had been here last Sabbath to hear your Rally Exercise and to see the enthusiasm manifested by old and young. Please send enrollment cards for thirty new members.

FROM OHIO.—We send you \$18.44 collected by our Sunday-school on Rally Sunday. We are a Welsh Sunday-school, and our scholars range from three to eighty-four years of age. We want 125 more enrollment cards.

The offering of the soldiers in our Boys' and Girls' Army is very small—only \$1.25—because our school is so very small, but our God-speed goes with it.

FROM OREGON.—We did not receive our cards and exercises in time to observe November 22, but used them December 6. I must say we had a fine time giving that Rally Exercise, and everybody was pleased. Our proceeds were \$6.66. We hope that this may do some good.

We kept the Rally, and enrolled every boy and girl in our school at ten cents a member.

FROM RHODE ISLAND.—It is with pleasure I remit the result of our enlistment on Rally Day. With the help of your exercise we had a fine, enthusiastic meeting, and enrolled fifty names at once, and others will enlist later. We have framed the motto and placed it above the organ. Not the boys and girls only have enlisted, but nearly all the teachers.

Now, this should not be the end of this thing. Let us hear from you now and then. Let us keep this interest alive that has been so thor-

oughly awakened. Several of our boys and girls said, "What's the use of joining? We will never know what our money is doing." Now, let us hear from the field, so we may know what our money is doing. We have papers and singing books and library books. Can't you tell us where to send them?

FROM SOUTH DAKOTA.—Please find inclosed \$12.86 from our Sunday-school, the result of the Rally for the "Million." Hope you may reach it, and believe you will. If not likely to through this effort, call on the superintendents and their boys and girls again.

FROM WASHINGTON.—Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Rally yesterday, December 6. Receipts, \$26.62.

FROM WYOMING.—The Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army was organized here November 22, 1891. We had a good time, and are glad to send you \$5.

FROM HEADQUARTERS.

THE American Home Missionary Society to the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army—Greeting!

ARIZONA—We "salute you in the Lord." (Rom. 16 : 22.)

MASSACHUSETTS—Your plan to set apart special Sabbaths for special offerings to the "Seven Societies" is an example to be commended to the entire Army.

That Massachusetts company, which was once under the care of the Home Missionary Society, has cultivated a "home missionary memory."

NEBRASKA—Thank you for the word of appreciation which came with the timely check.

NEW YORK—No apology necessary for that contribution. Had another Sunday-school—not a thousand miles from you—contributed nine cents a member, we should have reported ninety dollars instead of twenty-five.

Glad to hear about the brave soldiers who are faithful to the cause of the Great Captain through "rain and mud."

NORTH CAROLINA—"All the saints salute you!" (2 Cor. 13 : 13.)

OHIO—Welcome to your loyal Welsh soldiers!

OREGON—May your example inspire some Eastern Company to "enlist every boy and girl at ten cents a member!"

RHODE ISLAND—"Not the boys and girls alone, but their teachers." Good execution may be expected from this Company. Do you read *The Home Missionary*? You will find the messages for which you ask in its Army Department. To your boys and girls who say "What's the use of joining? We will never know what our money is doing," we suggest: Keep a sharp lookout upon this Army Department.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Your invitation comes to us like a bracing Dakota breeze. Be sure we will not forget.

WASHINGTON—Bravo! And you who send this \$26.62 look back a few months to the first day of the very first Sunday-school you ever had!

WYOMING—What strange stories you could tell us of your brave pioneer life! God help you to be brave soldiers of the Great Captain!

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.		
<h1 style="text-align: center;">BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.</h1> 		
<p><i>This Certifies that _____ by the payment of _____ is enrolled a soldier in the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army</i></p>		
<i>David B. Lee</i> <i>Alex. McClapp</i>	Hon. Sec. Treas'r.	<i>Jos. Bourne Clark</i> <i>Wm. Kincaid</i> <i>Washington Chvate</i>
		Sec's.

THE ENROLLMENT CARD.

THIS card is your CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP in the Army. It is to be filled out, and kept by you as a reminder of the cause in which you have enlisted. *Please remember, these cards are not to be returned to us.* We hope the enrollment fee will be at least a dime; but even less will enlist a soldier. These cards will be sent free on application to the American Home Missionary Society, 34 Bible House, New York City.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.

THE hearty good-will with which the superintendents have taken hold of our "Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Rally" has been very gratifying. Instances where the circular and cards were received with indifference have been conspicuous by their absence. Nevertheless—but we will let one or two letters speak for themselves. A little girl in Minnesota writes:

INCLOSED please find fifty cents for two of your enrollment cards, for my brother and myself, as our Sunday-school has not sent for any.

THIS from a Connecticut father: My little girl, five years old, wants to join the Home Missionary Army and get her certificate. She has

waited two weeks, but we have heard nothing about it at our Sunday-school. We have a good Sunday-school; how does it happen that we are forgotten? She sends her ten cents directly to you, that she may be enrolled in the army and have her certificate.

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Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

IN the first nine months of the current (sixty-sixth) financial year the receipts at the treasury of the National Society have been as follows :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$13,542 54	\$17,280 43	\$30,822 97
May.....	24,052 85	3,223 02	27,275 87
June.....	15,608 82	6,907 54	22,516 36
July.....	13,919 50	13,852 15	27,771 65
August.....	8,197 04	10,551 90	18,748 94
September.....	16,819 54	15,352 35	32,171 89
October.....	19,110 91	19,778 26	38,889 17
November.....	21,628 21	13,276 38	34,904 59
December.....	31,447 24	12,827 39	44,274 63
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	\$164,326 65	\$113,049 42	\$277,376 07

The receipts in the corresponding months of 1890 were:

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$20,306 48	\$3,723 85	\$24,030 33
May.....	14,969 79	2,066 64	17,036 43
June.....	11,845 88	2,163 11	14,008 99
July.....	25,145 31	17,236 06	42,381 37
August.....	14,235 36	5,642 46	19,877 82
September.....	16,241 59	1,664 53	17,906 12
October.....	13,877 18	24,891 58	38,768 76
November.....	10,685 13	2,084 57	12,769 70
December.....	36,779 25	26,540 00	63,319 25
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	\$164,085 97	\$86,012 80	\$250,098 77

The receipts in December, 1891, fell short of those in December, 1890, by \$19,044.62—\$13,712.61 less from legacies, and \$5,332.01 less from contributions. In the nine months of the fiscal year here reported the receipts from contributions are almost precisely the same as those of the corresponding months of the previous year, exceeding them by only \$240.68. The receipts from legacies in the same time show a gain of \$27,036.62.

The state of the Treasury remains substantially unchanged. The Society's notes for \$125,000 (\$50,000 brought over from last year, and \$75,000 for this year's work) are still outstanding at the Bank.

The current receipts having been insufficient to meet the daily reports of the labor now in hand—not to speak of its greatly needed enlargement—according to the Society's emphatic vote in annual meeting that those in commission should be paid promptly, recourse has been had to the Bank to the furthest limit of safety. Since that point was reached not a few workers have had to wait for payment. These arrearages vary with the amount of daily income, sent at once to the relief of the waiting ones; but for weeks they have rarely fallen below \$10,000.

And this in the face of the frank monthly statements in these pages, and the ceaseless appeals for help pressed here and elsewhere upon those who know our Lord's command to evangelize this land, and who have the means of responding thereto.

Only three months now remain of the Society's sixty-sixth fiscal year. On the responses of the churches and individual men and women of large means hang the questions whether the work now in hand shall be kept up and paid for, and what shall be the policy of the Society for the year to follow. Unless the dues to the Bank and the missionaries are paid within these three months and the current earnings of the laborers are met, the work—even now far too small—must inevitably be cut down in the face of countless openings for enlargement; worthy brethren must leave the fields for whose welfare they have wrought so hard and sacrificed so much; their growing harvests must be left to perish, and many thousands of the Lord's poor must be left without the Gospel and its ordinances. Is this the will of the friends of Home Missions, whose labors, prayers, and pecuniary offerings God has for more than threescore years been crowning with his abundant favor? Has any object on earth an equal claim on the Christians of America with that which is here set before them?

This exigency calls for no slight effort—on the part of some, perhaps, for real sacrifice. But it can be met. In January, February, and March of 1891 \$210,900 came into this Society's treasury. None have been heard to complain of actual suffering on account of that generous giving; none have been heard to claim that the churches are less able to repeat the effort than they were a year ago. What shall be done with this call from the Captain of our Salvation? What will you do, Christian reader?

REV. W. G. DICKINSON, of Huron, South Dakota, has been elected Home Missionary Superintendent of South Dakota, in place of Rev. H. D. Wiard, who has assumed the superintendency of California.

THE SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Executive Committee have accepted the very cordial invitation of the First Church, in Washington, D. C., to hold the next anniversary of the Society with that Church, in that city, May 24, 25, and 26. Full particulars of railroad fares and hotel and boarding house accommodation will be published in the future.

Washington is an attractive city, with ample facilities for such a meeting. It is as accessible to the West as Saratoga, and not inconvenient to New England. It is the doorway to the New South, which has become of late years a most attractive and fruitful field for the Society's work. In every respect Washington seems suited for a large Home Missionary gathering. Let the friends of Home Missions make their plans to be there!

REV. W. E. SILENCE died at his home in Chicago, December 7, 1891, at the age of fifty two years. The true story of his eventful life is given in the leaflet, "How I Became a Home Missionary," published by this Society. English by birth, he served first in the merchant marine of Great Britain and subsequently in the navy, being a member of that famous brigade of Havelock's which marched to the relief of Lucknow. He was converted through the efforts of a shipmate, and in 1865 left the navy, and, going to London, speedily became absorbed in city missionary work. Going thence to Canada, he served first as an evangelist, and later became a Congregational minister under commission of the A. H. M. S. He was instrumental in organizing thirteen churches in Canada, Michigan, and Illinois. His latest pastorates were over the Union Tabernacle Church in Chicago and the church in Roberts, Ill. Mr. Silence leaves a wife and one daughter, Lovella, well known to our young people through her efforts from early childhood to earn pennies for Home Missions. The bereaved missionary wife is an invalid, and being thus suddenly bereft of the tender care of her husband and the means of support, craves the prayers and sympathy of Christian women.

THE SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS, at Springfield, Mass., has just closed one of the most successful terms in its history. Marked progress and interest have been shown on every hand, proof positive that the school is rapidly increasing in usefulness and power.

The entering junior class numbered twenty-one, of whom two were women who entered the course for women, introduced some time after the term began. The additional courses in music and elocution have proved of especial value, while the two open literary societies have been productive of no little good.

Arrangements for a correspondence course for Sunday-school Superintendents are now well under way, and several have already made application.

Arrangements have also just been completed for an entirely new, unique and practical course for Christian mechanics, whereby by working every other day at the machinists' trade they can pay their whole expenses, and devote the alternate days to a two years' course in Bible study and methods of Christian work. *Ten* men only can be admitted January 1st to February 1st, so that whoever desires to enter must make application at once.

It is hoped by such a course to give a practical education in Christian work to a large number of our young men who, while not feeling called to devote their whole time to Christian work, still would be glad to be of more efficient service for the Master in connection with their trade. If we could have such a class of young men in every shop in our country would it not be a large step toward reaching those who heretofore have not come under the reach of the Gospel?

HAVE you noticed the Sweet Pea offer in the December number?

Appointments in December, 1891.

Not in commission last year.

Albertson, Ralph, Springfield, Ohio.
Baskerville, Mark, Sprague, Wash.
Bauman, Adolph H., Rainier, Ore.
Bettix, Edward F., Detroit, Mich.
Blaisdell, William S., Tavares, Fla.
Bormose, Niels N., Philadelphia, Penn.
Bosworth, William A., Guthrie, Okla.
Bridger, Edward A., Jennings, La.
Brown, H. C., Marshfield, Mo.
Brown, Luther E., Dickinson, No. Dak.
Buchanan, W. W., Chandler, Okla.
Cory, I. L., General missionary work in Minn.
Gurney, H. E., Clayton, N. Y.
Hampton, William H., Summer Hill, N. Y.
Hills, William S., Republic and Brookline, Mo.
Hurd, Alva A., White Oaks, New Mex.
Hurd, Fayette, Ph. D., Vinita, Ind. Ter.
Jenkins, David T., Cando, No. Dak.
Jones, Fred V., Goodland, Kan.
Ketcham, Henry, Merriam Park, Minn.
Luce, Fred L., Middletown, N. Y.
McLeod, Alexander S., New York City, N. Y.
Marsh, George, Sedalia, Mo.
Pope, George S., Tryon, N. C.
Rosewarne, John V., Paris, Texas.
Smiley, Elmer E., Vancouver, Wash.
Snider, Asa B., Mountain View and Clackamas, Or.
Struthers, Alfred L., Mazeppa and Zumbro Falls, Minn.

Re-commissioned.

Andrus, J. Cowles, Syracuse, N. Y.
Bastel, F. T., Iowa City, Iowa.
Bonfils, E., Mt. Hope, New York City, N. Y.
Bradley, Nelson S., Mitchell, So. Dak.
Brooks, Edward L., West Chester and Camden, Ind.

Burr, Horace M., Salt Lake City, Utah.
Busler, Samuel P., Jackson, Ohio.
Cross, Rosette T., Minneapolis, Minn.
Curry, Erastus S., Christy, Mo.
Day, Ernest E., Sauk Rapids and Cable, Minn.
Dixon, James J. A. T., Atwood, Kan.
East, W. R., General Miss'y in No. Ala.
Edmonds, Robert H., Mansfield, Ohio.
Graf, John F., Springfield, Mo.
Granger, John L., Lake Preston, So. Dak.
Griess, S. G., Warrenville, N. J.
Hendrick, Webster L., Brandon, N. Y.
Houston, Warren H., Ellsworth and Ash Creek, Minn.
Keeler, J. W., Chenango Forks, N. Y.
Langdale, Thomas G., Clark, So. Dak.
Lehtinen, Frans, Harbor, Ohio.
Lewis, John, Evangelist, Detroit, Mich.
Lewis, Samuel, Schroon Lake, N. Y.
Lincoln, S. W., Cleveland, Ohio.
Lopez, J. M., Gen. Miss'y among Spanish in New York and Brooklyn.
Marsh, Henry, Edmore and Vestaburgh, Mich.
Mathews, R. J., Hamilton, Mo.
Metcalf, Arthur, Irondale, Minn.
Morton, George F., Grey Eagle and Hansen, Minn.
Northrup, George E., Fosston and McIntosh, Minn.
Ottman, Henry A., Elmira, N. Y.
Penrose, Stephen B. L., Dayton, Wash.
Reoch, Adam, Monterey, Penn.
Rose, G. W., Evangelist in Colo.
Rowley, George B., West Carthage, N. Y.
Sheldon, Charles F., Lake Charles, La.
Skillings, Robert B., North Java, N. Y.
Smith, Edward L., Genesee, Idaho, and Uniontown, Wash.
Smith, Ralph J., Newport, Ky.
Stallings, J. J., General Miss'y in So. Ala.

Stevens, Julius, Faulkton and Miranda, So. Dak.
 Stock, Wolfgang, La Grange, Mo.
 Stone, Sidney, Hasty, Minn.
 Taylor, Horace J., Fidalgo City and Rosario, Wash.
 Tobey, B. Frank, Harpersfield, N. Y.

Todd, John W., Granite Falls, Minn.
 Updyke, Stephen G., Aberdeen, So. Dak.
 Wade, J. G., Billings, Mo.
 Wall, Henry, East Portland, Or.
 Wannamaker, Henry S., Lincoln, Neb.
 Williams, John C., Orlando, Fla.
 Woodbridge, Richard G., Morrisania, N. Y.

Receipts in December, 1891.

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MAINE—\$491.63.

Received by J. L. Crosby, Treas. Maine

Miss. Soc.:

Deer Isle, First S. S. Rally..... \$9 00

Harrison..... 5 00

\$14 00

Belfast, S. S. Rally, by A. O. Stoddard.

Biddeford, Second, by T. Haley,

through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.

Mass. H. M. Soc..... 171 35

Bluehill, Christmas gift, A Friend..... 5 00

Brooksville, Union S. S. Rally, by J. G.

Walker..... 10 00

Brownville, by Rev. W. C. Curtis..... 18 00

Castine, S. S. Rally, by A. F. Adams..... 6 53

Dennysville, S. S. Rally, by L. R. Gar-

den..... 2 50

East Orrington, S. S. Rally, by E. C.

Winchester..... 2 50

Fairfield Center, Mrs. D. L. Bates..... 5 20

Gorham, First, by J. Kidlon..... 49 63

Island Falls, S. S. Rally, by Mrs. N. C.

Sewall..... 3 00

Kennebunkport, by Rev. C. H. Pope... 12 00

Kittery Point, S. S. Rally, by M. G.

Berry..... 5 84

Lyman, S. S., by Rev. J. Richmond,

for debt..... 12 56

Maehias, Three members of S. S., by

Rev. C. F. Clarke..... 2 11

Portland, Second S. S., \$10; Rally, \$25;

Ladies' Aux., \$15, by O. Adams..... 50 00

West Cong. S. S. Rally, by W. H.

Morton..... 14 00

Williston S. S. Rally, by L. A. Gray. 7 31

A Thank-offering..... 2 00

Princeton, Cong. S. S., by Rev. C. L.

Nichols..... 6 55

Saccarappa, Second, by Rev. W. G.

Puddefoot..... 22 00

Saco, First, by J. W. Littlefield..... 14 91

S. S. Rally, by E. Garland..... 7 52

Wells, Second, \$9.40; S. S. Rally, \$3.60,

by C. N. Gleason..... 18 00

Mrs. M. J. Lawrence, by J. W. Hub-

bard..... 5 00

Whitneyville, S. S. Rally, by L. R.

Pope..... 2 10

Yarmouth, First, by C. L. Marston..... 17 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$506.79.

Received by L. D. Stevens, Treas.

N. H. H. M. Soc.:

Exeter, Second, to const. Mrs.

G. E. Kent and John Kent

Bell L. Ms..... \$100 00

Gilsum, Cong. S. S..... 5 00

Hampstead..... 31 00

136 00

F. C. I. and H. M. U., Miss A. A.

McFarland, Treas.:

Bristol, Ladies' Mission Circle,

in full, to const. F. A. Gordon

a L. M..... \$14 50

Keene, Cent-a-Day Band, First

Ch..... 13 65

Northwood Center..... \$6 26

Northwood Ridge..... 9 30

\$43 71

Canterbury Depot, Mrs. M. A. Glines.. 3 00

Center Harbor, S. S. Rally, by R. Ford. 3 00

Concord, First, by Rev. F. D. Ayer, to

const. G. F. Page and C. E. Abbott L.

Ms..... 100 00

Mrs. A. Folger..... 5 00

Haverhill, S. S. Rally, by G. H. Stevens

Henniker, A Friend..... 6 17

Hollis, A Friend..... 5 00

Hill, Cong. Ch., A member..... 70

By Rev. G. S. Butler, through Rev.

E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. S. 24 07

Kensington, S. S. Rally, by Mrs. R.

Akerman..... 7 00

Littleton, by M. D. Cobleigh..... 2 00

Lyme Center, Mrs. Amos Bailey..... 1 00

Manchester, First S. S., by M. F. Dana. 12 63

Milford, First, by A. C. Crosby..... 41 45

New Hampshire, A Friend..... 3 00

New Ipswich, by J. E. F. Marsh..... 4 25

North Hampton, J. L. F..... 10 00

S. S. Rally, by L. A. Chapman..... 1 70

Orford, Ch., \$15.75; Orfordville, \$4.50,

by Rev. J. R. Flint..... 20 25

Pembroke, S. S. Rally, by I. Walker.. 4 41

Plymouth, Mrs. P. A. Keniston..... 13 20

Stratham, by J. D. Littlefield..... 33 00

Temple, Mrs. L. W. C. Keyes..... 1 00

West Lebanon, S. S., by C. Cummings. 15 00

VERMONT—\$575.33.

Received by T. M. Howard, Treas. Vt.

Dom. Miss. Soc.:

West Rutland, Charity M. Gorham,

for work in Oregon..... 5 00

Woman's H. M. U., Mrs. W. P.

Fairbanks, Treas.:

For the Washington Band:

Fairfax, Mrs. M. S. Forsyth.. \$5 00

Newbury, West..... 6 50

Randolph, Homeland Circle.. 25 00

Shoreham, Miss L. G. Burch-

ard..... 2 00

St. Johnsbury, North Ch..... 40 00

\$78 50

For H. M. Salary:

Burlington, College St. Ch..... 15 00

St. Johnsbury, North Ch..... 20 00

South Ch..... 15 00

\$50 00

For Miss M. Reitinger:

Barton..... 12 50

Burlington, Y. P. S. C. E. of

College Street Ch..... 4 00

St. Johnsbury, North Ch..... 40 00

185 00

\$56 50

Barnet, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. C. H.

Gillilan..... 2 00

Bennington, Second, by E. E. Rawson. 43 22

Bennington Center, First, S. S. Rally,

by P. Harwood..... 5 73

Chester, S. S., Rally, by E. C. Sargeant	\$2 00	Fitchburg, Rollstone Ch., A Friend....	\$10 00
A Friend.....	5 00	Foxboro, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, for	
Coventry, S. S., Rally, by Rev. L. Har-		Washington Band, \$25; for Bohemian	
low.....	10 00	work, \$25; from A Friend, \$5.....	55 00
East Corinth, S. S., Rally, by Rev. E.		Gardner, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. R. Hey-	
W. Hatch.....	9 40	wood.....	69 27
East Hardwick, S. S., Rally, by J. E.		Frost, S. S., Rally, by N. S. Osgood..	22 76
Hancock.....	4 13	Mrs. S. M. Kimball, \$1; Abbie P.	
Mrs. Martha S. Stone.....	5 00	Dartt, \$1; Julius Dartt, \$9, by J.	
East Poultney, S. S., Rally, by J. S.		Dartt.....	11 00
Frisbie.....	75	Georgetown, Memorial Ch., S. S., Rally,	
Fairlee, Union Ch., \$4.24; S. S., \$1, by		John W. Bailey, Treas., by J. F.	
A. C. Fuller and A. W. Paine.....	5 24	Jackson.....	10 50
Hinesburgh, S. S., Rally, by N. D.		Gill, S. S., Rally, by G. Storer.....	8 00
Parth.....	5 00	Greenwich, H. M. Woods.....	50 00
Morrisville, S. S., by T. C. Cheney.....	14 05	Greenwichville, "Penny a day," Mrs.	
New Haven, Mrs. Eliza Meacham, to		A. E. Carter.....	3 00
const. Rev. C. N. Thomas a L. M.....	50 00	Groton, Union Ch., add'l, by G. W.	
No. Pownal, S. S., Rally, by F. I. Whip-		Shattuck.....	10 25
ple.....	1 79	Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by L. E.	
Pawlet, S. S., Rally, by M. V. B. Leach		Gulick.....	22 70
Rochester, S. S., Rally, add'l, by N. C.		Hadley, First, by B. E. Bardwell.....	38 32
Harvey.....	1 00	Harwich, S. S., Rally, by W. H. Under-	
Roxbury, S. S., Rally, by F. E. Cram..	3 30	wood.....	6 65
St. Johnsbury, North Ch., of which \$50,		Hatfield, by Alpheus Cowles.....	35 00
to const. Mrs. Orinda G. Hazen a L.		Haverhill, Primary class North Ch., S.	
M., by W. C. Tyler.....	144 54	S., Rally, by S. N. Kittredge.....	5 00
Springfield, S. S., Rally, by B. F. Ald-		Charles Coffin.....	25 41
rich.....	5 18	Hawley, S. S., Rally, by E. Harmon....	5 43
Swanton, Mrs. Eliza Stone, by H. M.		Holden, by C. T. White.....	40
Stone.....	3 00	Holyoke, Mrs. E. A. Allyn's class in	
Vermont, "In Memoriam".....	50 00	Second Ch., by E. A. Allyn.....	3 25
Westford, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. S. M.		Indian Orchard, Evan., S. S., by W. B.	
Bates.....	9 00	Morse.....	9 00
MASSACHUSETTS—\$16,351.02; of which		Ipswich, South, S. S., Rally, by F. T.	
Legacies, \$3,451.25.		Goodhue.....	6 00
Mass. Home Miss. Soc. by Rev. E. B.		Lakeville, Grove Chapel, S. S., Rally,	
Palmer, Treas.....	\$3,000 00	by E. P. Neelsen.....	5 00
By request of donors, of		Lowell, Highland, S. S., Rally, by W.	
wh. \$150 for Salary Fund, \$1,582 56		T. Dole.....	38 45
For work among Foreigners		A. G. S., for Salary Fund.....	5 00
in the West.....	4,500 00	Lynn, Legacy of Mrs. Sarah Selman,	
Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss		by Nath'l and W. C. Holden, Exs....	300 00
S. K. Burgess, Treas.....	10 00	Middleboro, Central S. S., Rally, by E.	
	6,092 56	Pickens.....	15 50
Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S.		Millbury, R. T. Buck, special.....	200 00
K. Burgess, Treas., \$500, for		Second, S. S., Rally, by C. F. Holman..	28 00
work in Montana; \$100, for Sal-		Monson, by E. F. Morris.....	22 33
ary Fund.....	\$600 00	New Salem, On account of Legacy of	
Boston, Old South Ch., S. S.,		Mrs. Eliza C. Ellis, by D. Ballard,	
Rally.....	10 25	Ex.....	93 75
	610 25	Northampton, First, by J. H. Searle..	238 98
Amherst, L. H. M. S., by Rev. H. A.		Dorcas Soc. of the First, by Mrs. J.	
Schauffler, for Salary Fund.....	50 00	H. Searle, for Salary Fund.....	75 00
Auburndale, A Friend.....	5 00	A Friend.....	100 00
Belchertown, A. O. Blodgett, by P.		Mrs. L. S. Sanderson.....	30 00
Thurston.....	1 80	Northboro, S. S., Rally, by Miss A. A.	
Bernardston, Goodale Memorial Ch.,		Adams.....	5 80
Rally, by H. L. Crowell.....	12 75	North Chelmsford, Second, S. S. Rally,	
Boston, W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund	200 00	by A. H. Sheldon.....	14 65
Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Byington.....	35 00	No. Reading, S. S., Rally, by L. A.	
Union, S. S., Rally, by W. H. White.	39 00	Flint.....	5 13
Brockton, by R. Cook.....	13 50	Orange, S. S., Rally, by F. D. Kellogg..	47 95
"C. S. D.".....	25 00	Oxford, S. S., Rally, by O. F. Joslin....	18 00
Cambridgeport, Christmas-offering, A		Peabody, South Cong., S. S., Rally, by	
Friend.....	2 00	J. K. Cole.....	15 00
Campello, So. Cong. S. S., Rally, H. C.		Petersham, Miss S. Goddard.....	40
Childs.....	38 36	Pittsfield, First S. S., by A. A. Mills..	20 00
Charlestown, Winthrop, S. S., Rally,		Provincetown, by Mrs. A. T. Cook.....	4 00
by D. G. Alden.....	11 44	Quincy, A Friend of Missions.....	2 00
Concord, Trinitarian Cong., S. S., Rally,		Rehoboth, Miss M. O. Bliss, Rally.....	10
by Miss M. Munroe.....	50	Rockdale, S. S., Rally, by B. W. Brown	3 35
Cummington, Village Ch., by W. W.		Roxbury, Legacy of Almira D. Goss, by	
Mitchell.....	26 47	Dr. F. W. Goss, Ex.....	50 00
Curtisville, by D. H. Newton.....	26 32	Sheffield, S. S., Thank-offering, by H.	
Dalton, by H. A. Barton, Jr.....	181 00	R. Little.....	18 79
Easthampton, East Street L. B. S.,		Sixteen Acres, S. S., Rally, by V. H.	
First Ch., by Miss S. J. Parsons, spe-		Pease.....	3 00
cial.....	20 00	South Amherst, Ch., \$11.50; S. S., Rally,	
East Granville, S. S.....	2 70	\$3.50, by Rev. H. W. Boyd.....	15 00
East Longmeadow, S. S., Rally, by E.		Southampton, Cheerful Givers Mission,	
M. Burt.....	9 17	by H. B. Norton.....	12 00
Edgartown, by C. B. Marchant.....	8 91	By H. G. Healey.....	41 09
		So. Attleborough, Dea. W. Mathias....	1 00

South Hadley, Mt. Holyoke College, by S. H. Melvin.....	\$30 00
So. Hadley Falls, S. S., Rally, by J. G. Taylor.....	12 04
Spencer, Y. P. S. C. E., of the First, by Mrs. F. A. Drury.....	25 00
Springfield, D. F. Atwater, in full, to const. Mrs. Sarah S. Atwater a L. M. Miss Eunice Morgan, by G. B. Kilbon. Hope Ch., by W. H. Butler.....	25 00 90 215 19
Hope Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by I. L. Steen.....	5 00
Stockbridge, Ch., Thank-offering, by D. R. Williams.....	16 67
A Lady Friend.....	5 00
Stoughton, First, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. E. N. Wilkins.....	11 00
Sturbridge, S. S., Rally, by H. D. Haynes.....	11 25
Townsend Center, Mary E. Patch.....	40
Uxbridge, First Evan. Cong., S. S., Rally, by Rev. F. L. Bristol.....	10 25
Wakefield, by W. P. Preston.....	40 55
Walpole, S. S., Rally, by C. H. Barnes.....	25 40
Warren, by H. S. Howe.....	70 59
Cong. Ch., Mrs. E. A. Shumway, a Christmas gift, by H. S. Howe.....	10 00
Webster, First, by E. L. Spalding.....	186 46
West Brookfield, Cong. S. S., Rally, by A. F. Woods.....	14 38
West Somerville, S. S., Rally, by W. E. Shedd.....	44 00
Winchendon, No. Ch., by L. Hale.....	138 14
Worcester, On account of Legacy of the late David Whitcomb, by G. H. Whitcomb, Ex.....	3,000 00
Ch. of the Covenant, by J. M. Stone..	10 00
Union Ch., Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by M. K. Vaill.....	28 96
Piedmont, S. S., Rally, by F. N. Cooke.....	11 28
A Friend.....	200 00
A Friend.....	1 00

RHODE ISLAND—\$475.84; of which Leg- acy, \$329.75.

Barrington, S. S., Rally, by G. H. Smith.	25 00
East Providence, Newman Ch., by W. W. Ellis, to const. Mrs. Mary F. West a L. M.....	50 00
Providence, Legacy of Sarah A. Cul- verson, by J. C. Whiting, Ex.....	329 75
Pilgrim S. S., Rally, by F. C. Blake...	33 00
S. S. of the Central Ch., Rally, by M. E. Torrey.....	25 09
Riverside, S. S., Rally, by R. T. Hun- tington.....	5 09
Woonsocket, Globe S. S., Rally, by H. M. Cook.....	8 00

CONNECTICUT—\$3,653.11; of which Legacies, \$505.47.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec., of which \$10, for Salary Fund.....	460 35
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.....	/
Enfield, The Misses Lusk, by Mrs. G. N. Booth, for Salary Fund.....	\$10 00
Hartford, First, Junior Aux. for Salary Fund.....	60 00
Kent, S. S., L. P. Bussell, special.....	7 00
Meriden, S. S. of First Ch., by W. H. Catlin, for Salary Fund.....	25 00
New Britain, South Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Miss M. E. Bingham, for Salary Fund.....	40 00
South Norwalk, by Miss Ger- trude H. Benedict, to const. Mrs. George S. Kendall and	

Mrs. David E. Disbrow L. Ms., for Salary Fund.....	\$110 00
Berlin, Second, by H. N. Galpin.....	39 77
A Friend.....	5 00
Birmingham, S. S., Rally, by D. S. Brinsmade.....	10 00
Black Rock, S. S., Rally, by W. J. Gould.....	7 98
Bridgeport, Mrs. A. J. Baldwin, to const. Mrs. Emma Anderson a L. M. and for Salary Fund.....	50 00
Bristol, by L. G. Merick.....	112 69
Broad Brook, S. S., Rally, by W. H. Thompson.....	25 00
Chester, by Rev. A. Hall.....	21 14
Colebrook, S. S., Rally, by W. F. Law- rence.....	5 00
Connecticut, A Friend.....	100 00
Danbury, First, S. S., Rally, by G. D. Northrop.....	35 00
Danielsonville, A Friend.....	5 00
East Hampton, So. Cong. S. S., by H. Clark.....	15 82
Ellington, Willie Hutchins, Rally.....	1 00
Ellsworth, by Rev. I. Jones.....	5 00
Enfield, "Gleaners' Mission Circle," by J. S. Henry, in part to const. Mrs. Parsons M. Henry a L. M.....	25 00
Essex, S. S., Rally, by Miss P. Wil- liams.....	7 41
Georgetown, S. S., Rally, by G. Wahl- quist.....	2 50
Gilead, S. S., Thanksgiving-offering, Rally, by A. R. Gillette.....	7 10
Granby, South Cong. S. S., by C. P. Loomis.....	5 00
Greenwich, Second, by L. P. Hubbard..	19 00
Second, S. S., Rally, in part.....	3 48
Mrs. C. Brush.....	5 00
Griswold, First, S. S., by E. A. Geer...	4 00
Hartford, Mrs. M. C. Bemis.....	110 00
Ivoryton, E. A. Northrop, for Salary Fund.....	10 00
Lebanon, Goshen, S. S., Rally, by Rev. F. P. Bacheiler.....	10 00
Ledyard, A Friend.....	2 25
Lisbon, S. S., Rally, by Rev. Q. M. Bosworth.....	7 00
Litchfield, A Friend.....	5 00
Lyme, Grassy Hill, S. S., Rally, by J. S. Hall.....	3 50
Madison, Remainder of Legacy of George M. Dowd, by J. L. Scranton, Admr.....	7 50
S. S., Rally, by D. E. Smith.....	11 00
Mansfield Center, First, by W. Barrows	55 00
Marlborough, by F. H. Blish.....	2 83
Meriden, First, Widow's Mite, by W. H. Catlin.....	1 00
Middletown, South S. S., by E. Payne, for Salary Fund.....	50 00
Milford, First, by C. H. Stowe.....	83 94
Miss E. R. Eastman, Rally.....	10
Millington, Ch., \$1; East Haddam, A Friend, \$4.....	5 00
Nepaug, S. S., Rally, by H. F. Clark...	4 00
New Haven, Ferry Street S. S., Rally, by Rev. M. S. Phillips.....	1 00
Dixwell Avenue Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. McLinn.....	4 80
Yale College, by Prof. H. A. Newton	320 35
Ladies H. M. Soc. of Center Ch., by E. L. Mersick, for Salary Fund.....	250 00
Rev. Prof. Harris, D.D.....	100 00
New Britain, Miss Mary Blake, for Rev. M. L. Stimson's Missy's horse...	3 20
New London, Avails of Legacy of Maria N. Fox, by Walter Learned, Ex. ...	505 47
First Ch. of Christ, S. S., Rally, add'l, by Rev. S. L. Blake.....	50
New Preston, Mrs. S. Williams, freight	1 00
North Branford, S. S., Rally, by M. B. Linsley.....	3 83

Northfield, Mrs. J. Catlin.....	\$20 00	Union Ch., by Rev. D. B. Pratt	\$16 00
Northford, S. S., Rally, by W. Maltby.....	8 50	Tompkins Avenue S. S., for Salary	
Norwich, Second, S. S., by A. L. Peale.....	62 93	Fund, by P. Palmer.....	600 00
Broadway Ch., for debt, by S. B. Bishop.....	215 97	Puritan S. S., Rally, by W. H. Vogell.....	73 43
Buckingham S. S., by F. J. Leavens.....	30 00	Park Avenue S. S., Rally, by J. J. Williams.....	8 25
Norwich Town, First, S. S., Rally, by A. W. Dickey.....	23 51	Mrs. Mary D. Ellison, a Christmas-offering, \$15; Mrs. M. L. Roberts and daughter, \$42.....	192 00
Rev. W. S. Palmer, D.D., of which \$5, special.....	20 00	Buffalo, First, by R. K. Strickland.....	100 00
Portland, United Workers of First Ch., by H. M. Bowden, in full to const. Mrs. Margaret Harvey a L. M.....	25 00	Pilgrim Ch., by H. G. Walker.....	31 74
Sherman, by M. G. Gelston.....	30 00	Canandaigua, First, by C. T. Mitchell, M.D.....	21 81
Somersville, by E. C. Chapman.....	22 39	Clayton, S. S., Rally, by Rev. H. E. Gurney.....	6 00
South Britain, add'l, Ch., of which \$3.63 from mite boxes, by M. C. Bradley.....	11 50	Clifton Springs, Miss Julia M. Gilman.....	50 00
South Canaan, by Rev. C. W. Hanna, Rally.....	10 00	Copenhagen, S. S., Rally, by F. P. Lansing.....	15 00
Suffield, A. R. Pierce.....	40	Corning, by Rev. N. E. Fuller.....	17 00
Talcottville, S. S., Rally, by H. G. Talcott, for Wash. Band.....	20 00	Crown Point, First, S. S., Rally, by M. C. N. Deane.....	15 00
Terryville, by W. H. Scott.....	221 57	Danby, S. S., \$18.91; Miss A. G. Hawes' class, \$1.82; Rally, \$6.77, by C. L. Vorhis.....	27 51
Unionville, Mrs. M. M. Smith.....	25 00	Elmira, St. Luke's Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. H. A. Ottman.....	5 00
Voluntown and Sterling, S. S., Rally, by Rev. J. Elderkin.....	4 30	Fairport, S. S., by Rev. G. F. Waters.....	12 00
Waterbury, Mrs. Israel Upson, by Miss F. E. Dutton.....	1 00	Fairview, S. S., Rally, by H. Griffith.....	8 00
Westport, Saugatuck Ch., by H. C. Woodworth.....	50 53	Filmore, Mrs. M. M. Norton.....	1 00
West Torrington, First, by Rev. E. C. Haynes.....	5 00	Florida, Pres. Ch., by Z. W. Vanderoef.....	40 00
Wethersfield, S. S., Rally, by S. F. Willard.....	21 00	Gaines, by G. D. Ward.....	12 25
Whitneyville, by J. M. Payne.....	18 00	Gloversville, by A. Kennedy.....	272 12
Williamsville, S. S., Rally, by W. E. Atwood.....	5 00	Hamilton, S. S., by A. N. Smith.....	10 00
Windsor, S. S. of First Ch., Thanksgiving-offering, by S. H. Barbor.....	13 00	Harpersfield, S. S., Rally, by L. B. F. Tobey.....	1 50
NEW YORK—\$9,980.39; of which Legacies, \$5,540.92.		Honeoye, by Rev. S. M. Day.....	37 55
Received by Rev. E. Curtis:		Lebanon, by A. D. Thayer.....	7 00
Crary's Mills.....	\$1 50	Lisbon, Ch., \$9; Mrs. W. Sheldon, \$1, by M. T. Stocking.....	10 00
Syracuse, Good Will Ch.....	50 00	Middletown, Samuel Ayres.....	5 00
Hamilton.....	7 30	Munnsville, Ch. and S. S., add'l, by H. Gaston.....	1 00
Volney.....	3 00	Newark Valley, by Mrs. H. Winship.....	53 00
West Newark.....	8 00	New Haven, by Rev. S. Johnson.....	10 00
Norwood, \$28.92; S. S., \$21.08.....	50 00	New Village, S. S., Rally, by I. W. Gould.....	7 60
Osceola, \$11.15; Y. P. S. C. E., \$3.85.....	15 00	New York City, Avals of Legacy of Mrs. Mary A. Delaplaine, by J. McGregor Smith, Atty.....	1,395 83
Philadelphia, D. H. Scofield.....	5 00	On account of Legacy of Sarah Burr, by Wolff and Hodge, Atty's for Exs.....	4,000 00
Randolph.....	16 53	Broadway Tabernacle, add'l, by I. R. Fisher.....	25 00
Sidney, Rev. E. Curtis.....	10 00	Pilgrim Ch. S. S., Rally.....	25 00
Port Leyden, Rev. L. Williams.....	5 00	"Company A," add'l, Rally.....	10
Westmoreland, Rev. E. Curtis.....	5 00	Norwich, by J. McCaw.....	25 00
		Northville, Two classes in S. S., Rally, by Mrs. F. B. Reeve.....	5 25
		Ogdensburg, First, S. S., by Rev. F. A. Hatch.....	1 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, Treas.:		Oneonta, L. J. Safford.....	2 00
Brooklyn, Ladies' Aux. Lewis Avenue Ch., for Bohemian work.....	27 50	Otto, S. S., Rally, by Rev. A. W. Terry.....	8 00
Homer, Ladies' Aux. to const. Mrs. A. Bennett a L. M.....	50 00	Mission Friend.....	10 00
Ithaca, Mrs. Mary D. Osborne.....	5 00	Patchogue, First, by F. Hammond.....	38 00
Ladies' Soc.....	40 00	Paris, S. S., Rally, by J. S. Marks.....	5 33
Rochester, Ladies' Aux. So. Ch., for Salary Fund.....	15 00	Pitcher, by Rev. F. L. Drew.....	15 75
Sherburne, Ladies' Aux.....	41 50	S. S., Rally, by L. C. Andrews, M.D.....	5 00
		Port Leyden, S. S., Rally, by J. G. Roberts.....	4 60
		Prattman, by E. W. Gates.....	5 00
		Rensselaer Falls, Ch., \$12.96; S. S., \$1.79, of which, \$5, toward L. M'p of A. M. Doty, by Rev. J. J. Doty.....	14 75
Angola, Miss A. H. Ames, in full, to const. herself a L. M.....		Rochester, by Rev. G. E. Soper.....	1 50
Antwerp, S. S., Rally, by C. Marsh.....	3 45	Siloam, Welsh Ch., by H. R. Jones.....	13 18
Baiting Hollow, S. S., Rally, by W. E. Newton.....	6 00	Smyrna, Ch. and S. S., by M. B. Boyden, to const. Miss Mabel Collier a L. M.....	60 00
Brooklyn, On account of Legacy of H. G. Combes, by E. M. Reid, Ex.....	145 09	South Hartford, S. S., by W. H. Ward.....	7 00
Clinton Avenue Ch., by J. Stikeman.....	1,401 67	Spencerport, Thank-offering, by Mrs. J. R. Loomis.....	6 40
South Ch., by C. H. Parsons and E. D. Ford.....	475 95	Springville, Miss S. P. Joslin, to const. herself a L. M.....	50 00
Park Avenue Ch., by W. Van Valkenbury.....	12 15		

Syracuse, Geddes Ch., by Rev. F. A. S. Storer.....	\$50 00
By Rev. L. D. Van Arman.....	12 00
Summer Hill, by Rev. W. G. Hull.....	3 00
Warsaw, L. E. Walker and A. B. Lawrence, to const. a L. M.....	41 25
Wautagh, Memorial Ch., by G. H. Northup.....	5 00
Wellsville, First, of which, \$35 from H. N. Lewis, in full, to const. Miss M. Fannie Lewis a L. M., by M. Fannie Lewis.....	46 13
Wilmington, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. F. M. Bell.....	2 10
By Rev. D. Fish.....	4 67
Woodhaven, Miss. Soc., by Rev. W. James.....	15 00

NEW JERSEY—\$43.08.

Woman's H. M. Union, of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.: Montclair, W. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., for Salary Fund.....	137 50
Bloomfield, M. E. C.....	5 00
Chester, First, by J. H. Cramer.....	40 00
Jersey City Heights, S. S., Rally, by W. C. Meeker.....	10 17
Montclair, First, S. S., by T. H. Bouden.....	50 00
Newark, H. N. Doolittle, Christmas gift Perth Amboy, by Rev. H. Palmer.....	20 00
Upper Montclair, Christian Union Ch., by C. W. Andrew.....	1 00
Vineland, Ch. and S. S., by G. F. Gillette.....	153 50
	25 91

PENNSYLVANIA—\$491.01.

Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.: Philadelphia, W. H. M. S. of Central Ch., for Salary Fund.....	82 24
Audenried, Welsh Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. W. Hughes.....	3 50
Braddock, First, S. S., by T. Addenbrook.....	8 85
East Smithfield, S. S., by F. H. Scott.....	4 00
Edwardsville, Welsh Cong. S. S., Rally, by R. S. Davis.....	5 20
Germantown, Little Raymond Moore Remick, Christmas money, special.. The Neesima Guild, through Mrs. D. L. Marvin.....	1 00
Charles Marvin, special.....	6 00
First, by S. J. Humphreys.....	1 00
Kane, First, S. S., by D. Howells.....	3 97
Kingston, Bethesda Ch., by J. P. Davies.....	23 36
Philadelphia, Central Ch., by John Edmands.....	12 82
Plymouth, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. J. G. Evans.....	257 86
Welsh Ch., by T. T. Jones.....	20 00
Pottersville, S. S., Rally, by S. M. Beecher.....	15 00
Shamokin, Welsh Ch., by E. Evans.....	3 38
Spring Brook, Welsh Ch., by W. W. Jones.....	9 00
Spring Creek and West Spring Creek, by Rev. G. W. Moore.....	4 00
West Spring Creek, First, S. S., Rally, by M. A. Deming.....	4 83
Wilkes Barre, First Welsh Ch., by R. George.....	3 00
Wysox, Mrs. M. B. Blood, by Rev. C. Beecher.....	12 00
	10 00

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$34.77.

Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.: Washington, W. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., for Salary Fund.....	25 00
Washington, First, by S. H. Galpin.....	44 27

Mt. Pleasant, S. S., Rally, by Rev. C. H. Small.....	\$4 50
Mrs. C. H. Small, freight.....	1 00
A Friend, a Christmas gift.....	00
A Friend, by Rev. T. W. Jones D.D.....	5 00

MARYLAND—\$4.00.

Baltimore, Mary C. Noyes.....	4 00
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VIRGINIA—\$3.55.

Falls Church, S. S., Rally, by A. P. Eastman.....	3 55
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NORTH CAROLINA—\$3.50.

Woman's Miss. Union, Mrs. G. G. Smith, Treas.: Raleigh, First, S. S., Rally, \$3.32; A Friend, \$1.68, through Miss M. M. Curtis, Treas.....	5 00
Oaks, S. S., Rally, by E. W. Douglass.....	3 50

GEORGIA—\$75.39.

Woman's H. M. Union, Miss V. Holmes, Treas.: Atlanta, Ch. of Redeemer, Ladies' Thank-offering, \$32.33; Star Band, \$5.31; Opportunity Club, \$2.28; Dues, \$8.27.....	\$48 19
Fredonia.....	7 10
Meansville, Mission Band.....	5 10
Thomasville, Mrs. H. J. Hackett.....	5 00
	65 39
Fort Valley, by Rev. S. E. Bassett.....	10 00

ALABAMA—\$2.00.

Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. J. J. Stallings.....	50
Mt. Jefferson, by Rev. L. P. Culpepper.....	1 50

ARKANSAS—\$9.00.

Little Rock, Pilgrim Ch., S. S., Rally, by Rev. I. T. Hull.....	4 00
Rogers, by Rev. J. G. Bailey.....	5 00

FLORIDA—\$69.86.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Treas.: Mt. Dora.....	10 00
Haines City, S. S., Rally, by E. R. Kingdigm.....	2 34
Longwood, by Rev. C. W. Frazer.....	13 00
Melbourne and Malabar, by Rev. H. C. Lane.....	7 52
Mt. Dora and Tangerine, by Rev. B. T. Stafford.....	7 60
New Smyrna, Hawkes Park, and Oak Hill, by Rev. E. R. Fuller.....	9 00
Orange City, S. S., Rally, by G. A. Wheldon.....	4 20
Winter Park, S. S., Christmas gift, by E. L. Maxson.....	5 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by F. A. Swain.....	6 00

TEXAS—\$3.50.

Palestine, by Rev. E. F. Fales.....	3 50
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INDIAN TERRITORY—\$7.47.

Vinita, S. S., Rally, by Prof. J. McCarthy.....	7 47
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OKLAHOMA—\$27.01.

Guthrie, by Rev. W. A. Bosworth.....	6 00
Plymouth Ch., by Rev. J. H. Parker.....	6 00
Kingfisher, S. S., by Rev. J. H. Parker.....	12 61
Perkins, by Rev. C. W. Snyder.....	2 60

NEW MEXICO—\$27.15.

Received by Rev. E. Lyman Hood: White Oaks.....	2 15
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Albuquerque, S. S., \$12.50; Rev. A. B. Cristy, \$12.50, by Rev. A. B. Cristy.. \$25 00

TENNESSEE—\$10.25.

Nashville, Jackson Street, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. G. M. McClellan..... 1 25
Pleasant Hill, by Rev. G. H. Marsh..... 6 00
A Friend..... 3 00

KENTUCKY—\$5.52.

Berea, by A. J. Hanson..... 5 52

ARIZONA—\$67.00.

Received by Rev. E. Lyman Hood:
Coolidge..... \$1 00
Holbrook..... 37 00
Nogales..... 6 10
Tucson..... 12 10
Winslow..... 1 65
Yuma..... 3 35

Tucson, S. S., Rally, by F. H. Lee..... 5 80

OHIO—\$1,463.85.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser,

D.D.:

Austinburg, of which \$6, S. S., Rally, by Rev. M. B. Morris, in part, to const. Granville W. Mooney a L. M..... \$46 00

Chardon, A Friend, by Rev. T. D. Phillips..... 5 00

Cleveland, by F. E. Speiman..... 12 57

Euclid Avenue, by T. M. Bates 28 00

Irving Street Ch., \$12.78; S.S., Rally, \$16.87, by Rev. G. Hill 29 35

Mt. Zion..... 4 09

Park Ch. and S. S., by Rev. M. L. Berger, D. D..... 12 50

Cornerville, by Rev. C. E. Dickin- son, D.D..... 2 50

Fairport, by Rev. G. Gadsby..... 4 00

Greenwich, Rev. G. H. De Kay, special..... 2 00

Hartford, by Sarah P. Bushnell..... 5 25

Hudson, by Miss E. E. Metcalf..... 3 00

S. S., Rally, by R. T. Miller..... 6 96

Madison, Central, by L. H. Kimball..... 8 67

North Bloomfield, by T. J. Sealy..... 2 00

Oak Hill, branch of Richfield Ch., of which S. S., Rally, \$1.05, by Rev. W. E. Wheeler..... 5 16

Paddy's Run, by James Scott..... 21 00

Philadelphia, Pa., Rev. S. W. Pierson..... 1 00

Radnor, S.S., \$19; John Powell, \$2; Willie Powell, \$1; Watkin Powell, \$1; David Powell, 50c.; Edwin Powell, 50c., by John Powell..... 24 00

Ravenna, Rev. S. W. Meek..... 1 40

Richfield, Ch., \$6.53; S. S., Rally, \$2.70; Bath branch, \$4.26, by Rev. W. E. Wheeler..... 13 49

Richmond, by Rev. G. Gadsby..... 3 25

Tokio, Zion, by John George..... 8 00

Toledo, Central, Y. P. S. C. E., by Dr. Bacon..... 5 00

Troy, by J. W. Nash..... 6 75

Received by S. P. Churchill, Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:

Cleveland, First..... \$17 33

Cyril Chapel..... 50 00

Euclid Avenue..... 32 75

Plymouth Ch..... 86 00

Jennings Avenue..... 20 00

Mansfield, Christmas..... 10 00

Medina, Y. P. S. C. E..... 20 00

Pittsfield, S. S..... 2 30

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Jennings Avenue..... 20 00

Mansfield, Christmas..... 10 00

Medina, Y. P. S. C. E..... 20 00

Pittsfield, S. S..... 2 30

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:

Jefferson..... \$5 00
Oberlin..... 30 00
Painesville..... 7 00
\$280 38

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:

Alexis, S. S., Rally..... \$4 00
Ashtabula, Second, for Salary Fund..... 6 55
Charlestown..... 9 50
Cleveland, First, for "Gospel Tent"..... 5 00
Lyme, Young People's Miss. Circle..... 6 24
Marietta..... 10 00
Oberlin, McClellan S. S., Rally Tallmadge, "Cheerful Workers," for Salary Fund..... 2 60
Toledo, Central Ch., S.S., Rally 13 58

Atwater, S. S., by H. E. Brush..... 2 00
Bellevue, S. S., by Rev. D. L. Leonard..... 16 52
Burton, S. S., Rally, by A. C. Hitchcock..... 9 56
Chatham Center, S. S., Rally, by B. Loomis..... 5 65
Cincinnati, Lawrence Street Welsh, S. S., Rally, by W. A. Richards..... 18 44
Clarksfield, \$8.14; Brighton, \$7, by Rev. A. J. Williamson..... 13 14
S. S., Rally, by Mrs. W. H. Winans..... 4 50
Cleveland, Jennings Avenue Ch., by J. J. Crooks..... 25 00
Eagleville, S. S., Rally, by F. G. Peck..... 1 25
East Liverpool, Mrs. H. D. Kitchel, by Rev. H. D. Kitchel, D.D..... 50 00
Lenox, S. S., by Rev. F. W. Link..... 7 03
Medina, S. S., Rally, by F. H. Leach..... 9 87
Newark, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. E. I. Jones..... 10 00
Oberlin, Second, by N. Huckins..... 135 05
Pittsfield, by C. H. Davies..... 3 50
By Mrs. M. S. West..... 6 35
Radnor, S. S., by J. Powell..... 2 00
Rochester, by J. H. Fay..... 4 00
Rootstown, Ch., add'l, by G. W. Bow and Son..... 1 00
Sheffield Ridge, S. S., Rally, by H. Day..... 2 50
"S. Eastern Ohio, Friend of Missions" 500 00
Troy, S. S., Thanksgiving-offering, by E. M. Fairbanks..... 1 50
Wakeman, by W. W. Whiton..... 16 37
S. S., Rally, by H. Van Fleet..... 4 93

INDIANA—\$331.38.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis,

D.D.:

Anderson, S. S., Rally..... \$2 00
Angola, S. S., Rally..... 6 40
Fort Recovery..... 4 85
Indianapolis, Mayflower Ch., to const. Rev. John W. Wilson a L. M..... 50 00
63 25

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Treas.:

Angola..... \$20 00
Indianapolis, Mayflower Ch..... 36 50
Michigan City, S. S., Rally..... 24 39
Orland..... 20 04
Southern Assoc..... 5 00
Terre Haute, to const. Mrs. W. H. Manning a L. M..... 50 00
Fort Wayne..... 40 00
Michigan City, S. S., Rally..... 1 65
197 58

Brightwood, S. S., Rally, by H. C. Prehn..... 6 50
East Chicago, by Rev. J. H. Simons..... 2 40

\$238 38

Farmount, S. S., Rally, by Rev. S. W. Pollard.....	\$6 65
Indianapolis, Fellowship Ch., by Rev. D. M. Brown.....	5 00
Mayflower S. S., by Rev. E. Collamore.....	10 00
Lake Gage, Ladies' Aid Soc., by Rev. D. Q. Travis.....	4 50
Marion, by Rev. T. R. Quayle.....	5 00
Orland and Lake Gage, by Rev. D. Q. Travis.....	20 50
Terre Haute, East End Cong. S. S., Rally, by E. M. French.....	10 00

ILLINOIS—\$3,107.01: of which Legacy, \$3,000.00.

Byron, S. S., Rally, by M. P. Blout.....	13 00
Galva, On account of Legacy of John F. Hyde, by B. S. Eldredge, Ex.....	3,000 00
Illinois, Friends.....	50 00
Plymouth, S. S., Rally, \$1.76; Friends, 74c.....	2 50
Polo, Ind. Presb. Ch., by Mrs. A. Wilber.....	35 96
Streator, Bridge Street Cong. Ch., by C. M. Roberts.....	4 55

MISSOURI—\$456.59.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas.:.....	
Bonne Terre.....	\$25 00
Carthage, Ch.....	35 00
St. Joseph, Tabernacle L. H. M. S.....	15 00
St. Louis, First, L. H. M. U.....	23 75
First, Y. L. M. S., to const., Miss Clara Van Norstrand and Miss Edith A. Swan L. Ms.....	100 00
Third, L. H. M. S.....	30 13
Pilgrim, L. H. M. S.....	37 21
	266 09
Amity, S. S., Rally, by Rev. J. P. Field.....	1 50
Bevier, Ebenezer Ch., by E. A. Davies.....	15 00
Welsh S. S., Rally, by E. W. Farr.....	2 53
De Soto, by Rev. F. E. Kenyon.....	25 00
Dixon and Liberty, by Rev. F. M. Stickney.....	2 50
Eldon, S. S., Rally, by Rev. J. Vetter.....	2 30
Hamilton, S. S., Rally, by Rev. R. J. Mathews.....	5 25
Honey Creek, S. S., Rally, by Miss F. Brainerd.....	4 00
Lamar, S. S., by Rev. A. B. White.....	2 60
Lebanon, Y. P. S. C. E., by C. W. Dunn.....	5 00
Meadville, S. S., Rally, by F. E. Webber.....	2 35
Noble, by Rev. V. E. Loba.....	5 00
St. Joseph, Tabernacle Ch., by L. B. Warner.....	48 81
St. Louis, by Rev. G. Horst.....	23 85
Olive Branch Ch., by Rev. C. A. Wight.....	2 00
Third, S. S., Rally, by W. G. Nourse.....	12 72
Sedalia, Second, \$3.50; Rally, \$3.50, by Rev. G. Marsh, \$5.....	17 00
Springfield, by Rev. C. A. Jertberg.....	5 25
Windsor, by Rev. G. H. Woodhull.....	7 84

MICHIGAN—\$1,678.18.

Received by Rev. L. Warren, D.D.:.....	
Allendale, S. S.....	\$2 56
Almont, Ch., \$49.31; S. S., \$3.06; Y. P. S. C. E., \$1.14.....	53 50
Bay City.....	9 96
Benton Harbor.....	44 60
Caro, Rev. A. N. McConoughey and wife.....	10 00
Cheboygan, "Monthly Monitor".....	15 00
Clare.....	5 72
Clinton.....	6 00

Columbus, S. S.....	\$2 43
Cooper, Mrs. J. Walker, to const. Cyrus A. Walker a L. M.....	50 00
Custer, S. S.....	3 06
Detroit, Mt. Hope "Willing Workers".....	10 00
Dexter, Dea. Dennis Warner.....	30 00
De Witt, Mrs. C. J. Cook.....	2 00
Genesee.....	3 30
Grand Blanc, S. S.....	1 70
Grand Rapids, First.....	200 00
Second.....	50 00
Grandville, S. S.....	8 00
Harrison, S. S.....	3 70
Hersey.....	15 00
Kalkaska, S. S.....	4 24
Litchfield.....	5 48
Manistee, S. S., for N. Star Mission.....	6 30
New Baltimore.....	9 35
New Haven, Ch.....	16 46
S. S.....	8 34
North Adams, W. H. M. S.....	15 00
Ransom, S. S.....	7 00
Sherman.....	5 00
South Haven.....	25 85
Tecumseh, Rev. James Vincent.....	10 00
Wayne.....	33 54
West Adrian.....	2 00
	\$670 09

Received by Rev. J. Martin:

Baldwin.....	\$3 00
Bangor.....	4 50
Big Rapids.....	30 37
Chase.....	16 47
Clare.....	3 35
Croton.....	2 00
Grand Junction.....	79
Hopkins, Second.....	13 72
Kendall.....	3 22
Litchfield.....	34 67
St. Ignace.....	8 39
Seney.....	3 10
	123 78

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Treas., received in Nov.:

Allegan, Toward a L. M.....	\$10 77
Benton Harbor, of which Thank-offering, \$5.....	6 35
Coloma.....	10 75
Detroit, Ladies' Union, First Ch.....	50 00
Dundee, for Salary Fund.....	11 00
Grand Rapids, First.....	43 63
Greenville.....	10 04
Harrison.....	7 70
Hopkins Station.....	5 53
Kendall.....	5 00
Ludington, W. H. M. S., \$20; Thank-offering, \$7.30.....	27 30
Manistee.....	100 00
Maple City.....	5 00
Maple Rapids.....	6 75
New Baltimore, yearly offering.....	5 00
Pontiac.....	5 94
Saginaw, First Ch.....	46 41
Shelby.....	10 00

\$567 22

North Star Mission:	
Addison, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$5 00
Cooper, Y. L. M. S.....	8 50
Detroit, Mt. Hope, S. S.....	14 30
Litchfield, Miss Turrell's S. S. class.....	3 00
Owosso, Y. L. M. S.....	9 00
Oxford, Girls' Mission Band.....	10 50
	\$50 30
Algansee, First, by M. B. Wakeman...	1 63
Ann Arbor, First, by R. Campbell.....	93 00
First Cong. Ch., A Friend.....	30 00

Big Rapids, by Rev. H. A. Kerns.....	\$10 00
Briley, \$2; Vienna, \$3, by Rev. R. Houston.....	5 00
Chesaning, by Rev. W. H. Millar.....	1 50
Clare, S. S., Rally, by E. D. Palmer....	2 50
Custer, by Rev. P. M. Crips.....	5 00
Detroit, First, S. S., by E. C. Bridgman.	23 09
East Paris and Fishers Station, by Rev. C. J. De Cow.....	1 25
Edmore, \$12.75; Vestaburgh, \$6.75, by Rev. H. Marsh.....	19 50
Freeport, Rally, by Rev. M. C. Dixon..	6 00
Gladstone, by Rev. G. C. Empson.....	5 50
Grand Rapids, Smiths Memorial Ch. S. S., Rally, by D. Vanderboegh.....	5 75
Grass Lake, S. S., Rally, by Rev. J. C. Van Auker.....	5 50
Jackson, S. S., Rally, by D. P. Sagen-dorph.....	7 34
Kindernook, W. H. M. S., by Rev. W. Newton.....	17 32
Lalugsburg, by J. V. D. Wyckoff.....	7 16
Memphis, S. S., Rally, \$2; Junior Y, P. S. C. E., \$1.25, by L. G. Russell.....	3 25
Middleville, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. G. W. Matteson.....	2 50
Northport, S. S., Rally, by R. A. De Goller.....	7 00
Red Jacket, First, S. S., by J. Muller n back.....	5 25
Rochester, First, S. S., by J. J. Snook..	6 35
Rockford, Cong. S. S., Rally, by Rev. C. Finster.....	7 25
Sault Ste. Marie, by Rev. B. F. Aldrich	16 00
South Haven, S. S., by G. B. Beebe....	5 50
Stanton, First, by P. T. H. Pierson.....	67 93
Union City, by Rev. J. R. Knodell.....	40 00
Wayland and Bradley, by Rev. J. T. Walker.....	10 66
Webster, by B. Kenny.....	26 71
Ch., Rally, by Rev. J. McColi.....	6 30

Sioux Rapids, S. S., \$2.27, Miss. con., \$2.80; Zigzag Club, \$5; Rally, by T. B. Brown.....	\$10 00
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MINNESOTA—\$268.03.

Barnesville, S. S., Rally, by W. F. Baulie.....	9 00
Belgrade, Union, S. S., Rally, by W. H. Sharp.....	10 00
Brown-ton, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. J. P. West.....	4 00
Buffalo, Swedish Ch., by Rev. K. A. Isakson.....	2 00
Edgerton, by Rev. E. Carter.....	2 50
Fertile and Mentor, by Rev. A. G. Washington.....	10 00
Handy, by Rev. W. L. Sutherland.....	2 00
Hawley, S. S., Rally, by J. Costain.....	5 84
Hopkins, by Rev. H. A. Schautler.....	15 00
Lakeland, by Rev. G. Wadsworth.....	19 93
Lake View, by W. H. Wallace.....	1 50
Little Falls, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. C. W. Brown.....	6 49
Minneapolis, First, S. S., by J. C. Andrews.....	5 82
Mary Merrill and brother, Rally.....	50
Northfield, by C. W. Gress.....	29 66
Paynesville, by Rev. R. G. Jones.....	6 00
Robbinsdale, S. S., Rally, H. L. Russ..	5 42
Rush City, Swedes, by Rev. B. Finn-ström.....	4 77
Rushford, S. S., Rally, by G. McLeod..	4 55
Sleepy Eye, by Rev. W. Blackwell.....	14 50
Stephen, by Rev. S. H. Barteau.....	8 64
Vendale, S. S., Rally, by A. S. McMil-lan.....	6 16
Waseca, S. S., Rally, by A. D. Goodman	32 76
Zumbrota, by I. C. Stearns.....	61 00

KANSAS—\$415.03.

Received by Rev. J. G. Dougherty,

Treas.:	
Alton, Harvest Festival.....	\$8 95
Bloomington.....	2 60
Clay Center.....	10 80
Downs, Harvest Festival.....	6 65
Eureka, First, S. S., Harvest Festival.....	15 00
Fowler.....	3 00
Hiawatha, Harvest Festival.....	10 36
Higland.....	23 85
Hutchinson, Harvest Festival.....	5 77
Kinsley, S. S.....	5 00
Leavenworth, S. S., Harvest Festival.....	5 50
Linwood.....	2 40
Maize, Harvest Festival.....	10 00
Mound City, Harvest Festival.....	4 00
Olivet, S. S., "Talent Fund".....	10 10
Partridge, Harvest Festival.....	36 50
Russell, Harvest Festival.....	26 56
Stockton.....	18 82
S. S.....	5 00
Vienna, Ch. and S. S., Harvest Festival.....	9 65
Western Park, Harvest Festi-val.....	11 43

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WISCONSIN—\$623.59.

Received by Rev. T. G. Grassie:	
Biramwood, S. S.....	\$5 00
Bloomer, S. S.....	3 30
Cumberland, S. S.....	1 60
Washburn, S. S.....	7 11

Received by Rev. G. W. Nelson:	
Benoit.....	\$1 60
Drummond.....	2 12
Peshtigo.....	9 43

Ashland, by Rev. E. P. Wheeler.....	11 68
Aurora-ville, S. S., Rally, by Rev. W. B. Millard.....	10 29
Manston, Rev. T. L. North, for Debt..	1 00
Menasha, E. D. Smith.....	500 00
Menomonie, First, S. S., Rally, J. H. Sively.....	8 26
River Falls, S. H. Burr.....	60 00
Tomahawk, S. S., Rally, by Rev. W. M. Ellis.....	2 00

IOWA—\$96.05.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, Treas.:	
Dubuque, Summit, S. S.....	\$7 13
First, S. S.....	7 67

Algona, M. H. Carter.....	14 86
McGregor, Mrs. J. N. Gilchrist, to const. herself a L. M.....	10 00
Polk City, S. S., Rally, by S. Barriek..	50 00
Salem, S. S., Rally, by W. H. Biss....	8 25
	8 00

Brookville, by Rev. S. Wood.....	7 87
S. S., Rally, by H. H. Wright.....	76
Clay Center, by Rev. D. E. Burner....	23 00
Haven, by Rev. F. Foster.....	1 00
Kiowa, by Rev. W. C. Veazie.....	10 60
North Lawrence, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. S. F. Wilson.....	80 16
Parsons, First, by Rev. P. M. Griffin..	6 00
Plevna, by J. L. Turner.....	12 75
Ridgeway, S. S., Rally, by L. O. Dana..	1 07
Wabamsee, First Ch. of Christ, by J. F. Willard.....	40 00

NEBRASKA—\$12.75

Aradina, \$5; Wesport, \$3.50; Longwood, S. H., \$1.85, by Rev. M. J. P. Taring.	\$10 40
Bloomfield, Dolphin, and Addison, by Rev. J. W. Hatley.	2 00
Corrland, Rev. G. J. Battey.	5 00
Cowles, S. S., Rally, by Rev. H. D. Platt.	2 50
Crete, S. S., by E. Mannhardt.	5 00
"A Home Missionary's son."	5 00
Fairmont, First, S. S., Rally, by Rev. T. W. Cole.	21 00
Harbine, Plymouth, S. S., by Rev. P. Shaw.	4 88
Ivington, S. S., by A. H. Knight.	6 60
Lincoln, Vine street Ch., by Rev. H. S. Wannamaker.	1 80
S. S., Rally, by Rev. H. S. Wannamaker.	6 00
Linwood, S. S., Rally, by Rev. J. O. Tasker.	11 65
Nebraska City, Mrs. M. J. Sibley.	5 00
New Castle, S. S., Rally, by J. Roberts.	4 25
Talmage and Douglas, by Rev. W. P. Pease.	10 00
Venango, S. S., by Rev. W. S. Hampton.	1 25
Wallace, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. J. McGregor.	10 42

NORTH DAKOTA—\$12.99.

Received by Rev. H. C. Simmons:	
Amenia.	\$60 80
Dwight, Union Cong. Ch., Y. P. S. C. E.	6 66
Gardner.	1 50
Harwood.	6 62
Hope, S. S.	9 60
Rose Valley.	8 50
Valley City.	15 00
Rev. H. C. Simmons.	40
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Received by Rev. E. B. Moody:	
Cando.	\$41 54
New Rockford.	27 00
	68 54

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M. Fisher, Treas.:	
Buxton.	\$5 00
Caledonia.	50
Cooperstown.	5 00
Cummings.	5 00
Dexter.	5 00
Fargo, First.	5 00
Plymouth.	5 00
Glen Ulin.	1 25
Harlem, Mrs. Fletcher.	1 00
Harwood.	5 00
Lisbon.	2 18
Mayville.	5 00
Saukborn.	50
	\$45 43

[Ack. in bulk in December number.]

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M. Fisher, Treas.:	
Fargo, Ladies' Soc. First Ch., toward L. M. Fund.	\$5 00
Grand Forks, Mission Band.	5 00
	\$10 00

Dawson and Tappen, by Rev. T. W. Thurston.	9 50
Dwight, by Rev. A. J. Pike.	40 00
Flt. Abercrombie, First, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. G. W. Wells.	1 15
Norman, S. S., Rally, by J. E. Bishop.	1 47

Grand Forks, Ch. and S. S., Rally, by Rev. S. M. Wilcox.	\$30 25
Hope, by Rev. T. W. Haven.	21 00

[ERRATUM: Hillsboro, No. Dak., \$1.50; Carrington, \$1.82; Merville, \$1.89. Erroneously acknowledged under Kansas in December number.]

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$55.53.

Received by Rev. M. E. Eversz:	
Friedensfeld.	\$19 91
Hoffnungsberg.	8 51
Legenthal.	1 50
Parkston, Zion's German Ch.	45 00
Wolf's Creek.	6 88
	\$1 80

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Treas.:

Alcester.	\$5 00
Badger Lake.	5 00
Bethel.	6 15
Chamberlain, Spinners.	50
Colvin.	62
Firesteel, S. S.	4 50
Frankfort.	3 50
Henty.	5 80
Huron, "Willing Workers".	11 00
Mitchell.	6 97
Sioux Falls.	8 35
"King's Daughters".	4 50
Springfield.	1 00
Watertown.	5 00
Willow Lakes.	91
	67 90

Alpena, Woonsocket, and Immanuel, by Rev. E. Grieb.	2 00
Ashton, S. S., Rally, by N. D. Howes.	8 00
Belle Fourche, by Rev. G. J. Powell.	1 90
Bethel, "The year-around S. S.," by H. Milligan.	2 00
Blue Blanket, S. S., Rally, by Rev. S. D. Bonsey.	5 14
Ron Homme, S. S., by M. E. Ball.	3 00
Buffalo Gap, Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs. J. B. Leake.	2 25
Canton, by Rev. H. Wilson.	10 00
Chamberlain, by Rev. W. B. Hubbard.	15 00
Colvin and La Roche, by Rev. L. E. Camfield.	28 42
Cresbard, Liberty, and Myron, by Rev. P. B. Fisk.	2 50
Custer, by Rev. J. V. Willis.	1 25
Deadwood, First, by W. Selbie.	57 10
De Smet, S. S., Rally, by J. E. Smith.	12 86
Frankfort and Turton, by Rev. J. Trueblood.	3 40
Howard, Winfred, and Freedom, by Rev. W. S. Shaw.	13 25
Huron, by Rev. B. H. Burr.	154 30
Ipswich and Rosette Park, by Rev. E. J. Wolkom.	5 00
Iroquois, \$5; Osceola, \$2; Esmond, \$2, by Rev. A. J. Drake.	9 00
Jasper, by C. K. Switzer.	2 00
Kassler, by Rev. M. E. Eversz.	15 80
Lesterville, First, S. S., Rally, by B. P. Gray.	2 10
McPherson, by Rev. A. Kochendorfer.	12 40
Powell, Welsh Ch., \$1.75; S. S., \$6.50, by Rev. J. T. Lewis.	8 24
Scotland, S. S., Rally, by W. J. Schmale.	4 20
Sioux Falls, S. S., Rally, by C. E. Palmer, Treas.	12 04
Wakonda, \$5.20; Huron, Daisy Hitchcock, \$4.98, by Rev. P. Hitchcock.	10 18
Willow Lakes, by Rev. W. L. Dibble.	3 50

COLORADO—\$267.65.

Received by Rev. C. M. Sanders:	
Cheyenne, First, S. S.	\$8 00
Denver, First, S. S.	25 00
Park Avenue Ch.	4 56
Flagler, Ch.	2 85
S. S.	52
Greeley	45 47
Otis, S. S.	3 15
Red Cliff	5 37
Rock Springs, S. S.	12 60
Seibert, S. S.	2 00
Tabor, Mrs. H. S. Harrison	2 00
Tithes from Otis	5 00
Trinidad, Mission Band	5 00
Villa Park, S. S.	1 65
Whitewater	5 85
R. H. Gilmore	10 00
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Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. G. W. Rose	
Colorado Springs, First, S. S., by A. B. Baker	29 65
Coal Creek, by Rev. D. E. Evans	12 82
Denver, North Denver Ch., by Rev. C. M. Clark	36 45
Gilman, Rally, by Rev. John Bramley	4 13
Grand Junction, S. S., Rally, by S. F. Dickinson	6 30
Lafayette, by Rev. J. K. Packard	00
Manitou, by Rev. H. O. Downs	23 03
Pueblo, First, S. S., by C. A. Hammond	7 00
	<hr/> 3 25

WYOMING—\$6.50.

Buffalo, S. S., Rally, by M. S. Watkins	5 00
Douglas, by Rev. Z. H. Smith	1 50

MONTANA—\$23.57.

Received by Rev. W. S. Bell:	
Castle	\$4 60
Missoula, S. S.	5 00
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Red Lodge, of which Rally, \$5.77, by Rev. W. H. Watson	14 57

CALIFORNIA—\$405.46.

Received by Rev. J. T. Ford:	
Villa Park	\$3 16
A Friend	5 00
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. A. Spencer, Treas.	
Antioch, by Rev. T. M. Oviatt	50 00
Auburn, First, by Rev. R. M. Tunnell	15 50
Avalon, S. S., Rally, by Rev. G. Morris	25 00
Galt, Rally, by Rev. J. Macdonald	5 25
Halleck, Mojave Ch., by Rev. S. Edwards	21 15
Hyde Park and Pico Heights, by Rev. J. M. Schaefer	9 00
Lorin, by Rev. J. D. Foster	12 50
Los Angeles, Olivet Ch., by Rev. F. A. Field	7 00
Moreno, by Rev. E. H. Pound	3 35
Murphy's Angels and Douglass Flat, by Rev. D. Goodsell	15 40
Redlands, First, by C. Wells	7 50
Lugonia Terrace S. S., Rally, by J. O. Beger	105 15
Vernondale, Rev. G. A. Rawson, \$10; Magie Marion, 50c., by Rev. G. A. Rawson	10 00
	<hr/> 10 50

OREGON—\$152.90.

Received by Rev. C. F. Clapp:	
Portland, Mt. Zion Ch.	\$2 00
Rev. T. E. Clapp	5 00
Forest Grove	15 00
Rev. R. M. Jones	10 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, Treas.	90 00
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Albina, by Rev. J. L. Hershner	3 50
Eugene, S. S., Rally, by Rev. H. L. Bales	7 50
Hood River, First, S. S., Rally, by J. F. Armour	6 66
Portland, Plymouth Ch., S. S., by Mrs. S. F. Graves, thro. Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.	13 24

WASHINGTON—\$277.27.

Received by Rev. W. C. Merritt:	
Alderton, S. S., Rally	\$3 00
Anacortes, S. S., Rally	34
Colfax, Mr. Bacon	3 00
Cowlitz Bend, S. S., Rally	3 28
Glendale, S. S., Rally	1 10
Hilburst, S. S., Rally	2 33
Houghton, Highland, S. S., Rally	80
Midland, S. S., Rally	1 12
Rhoad's Lake, S. S., Rally	2 20
South Bend, S. S., Rally	4 00
Tacoma, First, S. S., Rally	53 50
Center Street Mission S. S., of which for Rally, \$3.28	4 33
Yelm, S. S., Rally	2 00
	<hr/> \$81 00

Woman's H. M. Assoc., Mrs. W. R. Abrams, Treas.

East Tacoma, Ladies' Miss. Soc.	
Lake Park	\$2 25
Seattle, Plymouth Ch.	1 00
Pilgrim Mission Band	35 00
Pilgrim Ch., Benev. Soc.	5 00
Tacoma, Atkinson Memorial Ch.	5 00
First, Y. P. Miss. Soc.	6 50
	<hr/> 12 50
	<hr/> \$67 25

Received by Rev. T. W. Walters:

Uniontown	\$2 00
A Friend	1 00
Melanchton Walters	5 00
	<hr/> 8 00
Christopher, by Rev. R. Bushell	4 00
Fairhaven, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. J. C. Wright	10 00
Fidalgo City, S. S., Rally, by Rev. H. J. Taylor	4 55
New Whatcom, S. S., by Rev. J. V. Dimon	5 00
Pleasant Prairie and Trent, by Rev. J. B. Renshaw	14 90
Port Gamble, S. S., Rally, by Rev. W. Butler	8 00
Pullman, Rally, by Rev. L. O. Baird	26 62
Ritzville, First, by B. Martin	12 00
Rally, by Rev. C. Anderson	12 00
Stellacom, S. S., by Rev. L. W. Brin-nall	3 35
Walla Walla, A Friend	20 00

HOME MISSIONARY	\$43,918 60
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Donations of Clothing, etc.

Angola, Ind., W. H. M. U., by Mrs. D. T. Brown, barrel.....	\$15 00	Lewiston, Me., Woman's Miss. Soc. of Pine St. Ch., by Mrs. R. C. Stanley, barrel.....	\$40 00
Binghamton, N. Y., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. H. A. Goff, box.....	170 09	Litchfield, Ct., First Ch., by E. P. Woodruff, box.....	162 30
Black Rock, Ct., Ladies' Soc., by Sarah J. Bartram, barrel.....	100 00	Manchester, N. H., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Hanover St. Ch., by Belle U. Goodrich, box and barrel.....	100 37
Bound Brook, N. J., Mrs. L. D. Cook, package.....		Middletown, Ct., Ladies' H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. R. Crittenden, barrel, twenty packages and two hundred vols.....	202 00
Bridgeport, Ct., Sew. Soc. of South Ch., by Caroline J. Calef, barrel.....	121 10	Milton, Vt., Ladies' Miss. Soc., by M. J. Jackson, barrel.....	70 23
Bristol, Ct., Woman's H. M. Aux., by Mrs. A. E. North, two barrels and freight.....	168 00	New Britain, Ct., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch. of Christ, by Emma L. Pickett, box.....	100 00
Brooklyn, N. Y., Ladies' Benev. Assoc. of Central Ch., by Mrs. A. H. Wagner, three barrels.....	217 09	New Haven, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Ch. of The Redeemer, by Mrs. W. A. Hotchkiss, box.....	110 00
South Chapel, by Miss Marion Libby, box.....		Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Center Ch., by Mary E. Bennett, three boxes.....	788 52
Ladies' Soc. of Christian Workers of New England Ch., by Mrs. J. M. Hyde, barrel.....	95 35	New London, Ct., Dorcas Soc. of Second Ch., by Mrs. J. W. Eggleston, box.....	130 00
Ladies' Benev. Soc. of South Ch., by Mrs. F. L. Pomeroy, box.....	200 00	New London, Ohio, Ladies' M. Soc. of Paddy's Run Ch., by Mrs. Michael Jones, barrel.....	36 00
Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Tompkins Ave. Ch., by Annie A. Graves, box and barrel.....	182 50	New Preston, Ct., Mrs. Stanley Williams, box.....	
Center Lebanon, Me., Ladies' Miss. Circle, by Mrs. J. W. Grant, box and freight.....	24 10	New York City, Mrs. Edwin Johnson, by Thos. T. W. Miner, three boxes.....	
Chatham Heights, N. J., Ladies' Miss. Soc. of Stanley Ch., by Mrs. W. H. Lum, barrel.....	50 00	Broadway Tab. Ch., by Rev. Dr. Taylor, trunk.....	
Chicago, Ill., Mrs. H. H. Russell, cloak.....		S. A. Chapin, package.....	
Claremont, N. H., Ladies' Assoc., by Miss Susan L. Bond, barrel and freight.....	86 67	North Adams, Mich., Ladies, by Miss C. A. Turrell, barrel.....	20 00
Dallas, Tex., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. G. C. Currier, two barrels and freight.....	103 80	Norwich, Ct., Ladies' H. M. S. of Park Ch., by Lydia B. Young, box, freight, and cash.....	338 84
Danbury, Ct., Ladies' Miss. Circle of First Ch., by Mrs. C. A. Mallory, box.....	243 75	Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Second Ch., by Mrs. H. F. Palmer, barrel and cash.....	113 75
Young Ladies' Miss. Circle of First Ch., by Sara Alexander, box.....	114 00	Norwich Town, Ct., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. Herbert L. Yerington, two barrels.....	140 00
East Jaffrey, N. H., "Cheerful Helpers" Miss. Band, by Mrs. Will J. Mower, box and two packages.....	48 78	Orford, N. H., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Mrs. H. W. Sanborn, barrel.....	
East Saginaw, Mich., Ladies, by Rev. L. Warren, box.....	180 00	Pawtucket, R. I., Ladies' H. M. Circle, by Mrs. L. B. Goff, box.....	115 00
Exeter, N. H., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by L. M. Perry, two barrels.....	177 06	Plainfield, N. J., Ladies' Aid Soc., by C. H. Waldron, barrel.....	100 00
Falls Ch., Va., Young People's Miss. Soc., by Edith Merrifield, barrel.....	45 00	Plantsville, Ct., Ladies' Industrial Soc., by Mrs. E. W. Twichell, box and freight.....	80 00
Flint, Mich., Ladies, by Rev. L. Warren, box.....	86 30	Providence, R. I., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Union Ch., by Mrs. Wm. Knight, box.....	210 00
Gloversville, N. Y., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. M. P. Mills, box and cash.....	252 09	Redding, Ct., W. Aux. H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Arthur B. Hill, barrel.....	57 00
Grass Lake, Mich., W. H. M. U., by Mrs. David Rowe, barrel.....	63 00	Ridgefield, Ct., Ladies' Aid Soc., by Mrs. E. A. Hoyt, barrel.....	78 00
Green, Conn., Christian Endeavor Soc., by Cona V. Avery, barrel.....	92 00	Rochester, N. H., Mrs. Martha W. Norr, box.....	
Hartford, Conn., Ladies' Soc. of Asylum Hill Ch., by Mrs. S. M. Capron, box.....	153 11	St. Albans, Vt., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mary Dunsmore, box and barrel.....	161 98
Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. H. Pitkin, two barrels.....	190 00	St. Johnsbury, Vt., W. H. M. Soc. of North Ch., by Miss Mary E. Stone, barrel and package.....	106 44
Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Pearl St. Ch., by Kate L. Morley, barrel and half barrel.....	167 44	St. Louis, Mo., W. H. M. S. of Pilgrim Ch., by Mrs. J. E. Lyman, seven barrels and package.....	488 30
Ladies' Soc. of Asylum Hill Ch., by Mrs. S. M. Capron, box.....	274 10	Seabrook and Hampton Falls, N. H., Seashore Miss. Circle, by Frank B. Fogg, half barrel.....	25 00
Indianapolis, Ind., Mayflower Ch., by Mrs. W. D. Brown, Tr. W. H. M. U., barrel.....	50 00	Sharon, Ct., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Emily C. Sears, barrel and cash.....	85 00
Ithaca, N. Y., Ladies' Soc., by Kate L. Whiton, box.....	60 00	South Hadley, Mass., S. S., by Rebecca F. Smith, cash.....	25 00
Ivoryton, Conn., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. J. E. Northrop, barrel.....	75 00	Ticonderoga, N. Y., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. W. Dickens, box and freight.....	35 66
Jackson, Mich., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. Lathen Kassick, box.....	125 00	Toledo, O., H. M. S. of Wash. Ch., box, \$70.00; Y. P. S. C. E., \$5.00; Junior Miss. Band, \$2.40, by Mrs. D. J. Price.....	77 40
Jamestown, N. Y., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. Uster, barrel.....	89 35	Washington, D. C., Mrs. C. H. Small, package.....	
Keene, N. H., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. E. C. Jones, box and two arrears.....	116 55		
Lakeville, Ct., Sew. Soc. of Salisbury Ch., by Mrs. Geo. B. Burrall, barrel.....	107 67		

West End, Va., Robert Nourse, by Kathleen Nourse, package.....	\$25 00
Windsor Locks, Ct., Ladies' H. M. S., by Mrs. Chas. H. Coye, barrel.....	91 59
W. H. M. U. of N. J., Assoc., by Mrs. J. H. Denison:	
Montclair, W. H. M. Soc., three barrels.....	115 00
Washington, First Ch., barrel and freight.....	68 50
Westfield, Ch. of Christ, box and cash.....	215 00

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in December. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treas.

Abington, First, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. Florence L. Beal, for A. H. M. S.....	\$13 28
Amherst, North, by S. E. Harrington.....	10 00
S. S., Rally, by F. W. Harrington.....	16 41
Second, by H. Sabin.....	9 25
Andover, West, by F. S. Boutwell.....	51 02
S. S., Rally, by Ida M. Trow.....	13 20
Attleboro Falls, Central, by S. A. Carpenter.....	11 50
Second, by Charles E. Bliss, to const. L. Ms. to be named.....	172 81
Bank Balances, interest for November.....	22 06
Barnstable, Hyannis, by Rosie C. Bearse Barre, Evan., by J. Henry Goddard.....	1 70
S. S., by J. Henry Goddard.....	105 52
Belmont, Waverley, Mrs. Rev. D. Butler, to const. Mrs. W. H. Chaney a L. M.....	7 85
30 00	
Billerica, by George H. Hall.....	16 00
Blackstone, by Rev. Leroy M. Pierce.....	29 00
Boston, Brighton, Evan., by F. G. Newhall, for A. H. M. S.....	270 01
Central, by J. N. Denison.....	2,500 00
Dorchester, Central, by Rev. C. C. Kellogg.....	10 00
Jamaica Plain, Central, by A. Loring.....	14 14
Old South, by R. H. Stearns, add'l.....	95 00
Park Street, by E. F. Brackett.....	116 50
Roxbury, Highland, S. S., Rally, by G. J. Esselen.....	13 38
South, Phillips, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. W. G. Pufferfoot.....	10 00
"T. G.".....	15 00
Union, by Wm. H. White, for A. H. M. S.....	212 90
Boxboro, by A. W. Wetherbee.....	18 00
Boxford, West, by Rev. C. L. Hubbard.....	10 25
Bridgewater, East, Union, by George M. Keith, for A. H. M. S.....	10 77
Brimfield, Second, by George M. Hitchcock.....	6 81
Brockton, Campello, South, by Rev. M. B. Thompson.....	200 00
Hewitt, Joseph.....	5 00
Brookfield, by J. M. Grover.....	21 26
Tufts, Sarah C., by Rev. J. Coit.....	5 00
Brookline, Harvard, by Jas. H. Shapleigh.....	158 02
A Member, by Jas. H. Shapleigh.....	50 00
Cambridge, Shepard Memorial, Mutual Bible-class, by A. B. Seymour, for A. H. M. S.....	40 00
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, by N. H. Holbrook, of which \$10.32 Mon. con. coll.....	48 73
Charlemont, East, by Rev. L. Whiting, D.D., to complete L. Mp. of Martha S. Clark.....	50
Chatham, Taft Thank-offering, by Geo. S. Atwood.....	7 07
Chelsea, Dutch, Miss A. M.....	5 00
First, by H. W. Jeffers.....	30 75
Third, by John Bell.....	40 09

Clinton, Swan, C. L., for A. H. M. S.....	\$100 00
Cohasset, Second, by P. Bates.....	35 75
Coleraine, by Rev. Eugene M. Frary.....	12 00
Dennis, Union, by N. A. Howes.....	5 20
Easthampton, First, by W. H. Wright.....	47 30
S. S., by Rev. Sumner G. Wood.....	8 00
Payson, by H. L. Clark, for A. H. M. S.....	176 85
Easton, Evan., by J. Rankin.....	8 88
Edgartown, by C. B. Marchant.....	17 82
Enfield, by L. D. Potter.....	42 93
Everett, First, by R. A. Rideout.....	140 00
Fitchburg, C. C., by Leon H. Downe, of which \$42.82 for A. H. M. S.....	140 77
Lawrence, Mrs. A. G., Christmas gift.....	10 00
Rollstone, Spaulding, Josiah.....	2 50
Spaulding, Mrs. Josiah.....	2 50
Frammingham, Saxonyville, by Tristram Goldthwaite.....	23 06
South, Grace, by G. M. Amsden, A. H. M. S., toward salary of Rev. E. L. Smith, of Genesee, Idaho.....	150 30
Franklin, First, by Chas. Gowen, for A. H. M. S.....	38 75
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Great Barrington, First, by Isaac R. Prindle, for A. H. M. S.....	77 66
Greenfield, Second, by Lucy A. Sparhawk Hale, E. J. M., Fund, Income of.....	51 05
Hardwick, Calvinistic, A friend of missions, by H. De Witt.....	50 00
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Harwich, by Sidney Underwood.....	3 00
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Lexington, Hancock, by W. W. Baker.....	37 49
Lowell, John St., by Wm. Morey, add'l for A. H. M. S.....	1 00
Pawtucket, Y. P. S. C. E., by Chas. H. Willcox.....	2 60
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Manchester, Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Deborah G. Crafts.....	25 00
Marion, Pitcher, John, Estate of, by Trustees at hand of A. J. Hadley.....	47 18
Marshfield, First, by Rev. E. Alden.....	130 36
Medway Village, by Rev. R. K. Harlow, add'l.....	25 00
West, Second, by S. Newman Metcalf.....	22 25
Third.....	18 10

Milton, First, Evan. A Friend, by Rev. A. K. Teale, for A. H. M. S.	\$250 90
Tucker, Mary E., special.	60
Montague, First, by Sanford Marsh.	50 00
Natick, First, S. S., by R. E. Bowers.	25 00
Newburyport, Whitefield, by Eben Sumner.	41 26
Newton, Abundant, S. S., Rally, by A. W. Kelly.	11 50
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Highlands, E. H.	50 00
Newtonville, Grant, Abraham W., Estate of, by William Abbott, Ex.	800 00
West, Second, S. S., by J. F. Fuller, Jr., for A. H. M. S.	25 00
Norfolk, Friends.	25 00
Union, Wm. E. Mann.	4 10
Northampton, A Friend, Thanksgiving offering.	5 00
Edwards, Benev. Soc., by S. D. Drury	126 51
North Brookfield, First, by John S. Cooke, for A. H. M. S.	66 20
Orange, North, S. S., Rally, by Lina H. Goodell.	9 00
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Plainfield, of which \$5 from Mrs. Temperance Atkins (aged 94), by Rev. J. A. Woodhull.	15 47
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Raynham, First, by Joseph W. White.	27 61
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Williamstown, First, by Chas. S. Cole.	2 60
Winnington, by A. O. Buck.	34 94
Winchester, First, by Eugene Tappan.	11 36
	33 05

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Ladies' Western Miss. Soc., by Miss E. D. Chapin, special.	115 40
Woburn, Ames, Erskine, to const. E. Luville Ames a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	50 00
Woman's H. M. Assoc., by Anna A. Pickens, Asst. Treas.	\$10 00
Special, for Italian work.	10 00
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Yarmouth, First, by E. D. Payne.	62 00
West, by Abbie B. Crowell.	2 50
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NOTE: Mr. Geo. R. Bond has been chosen to fill the treasurership of the Hampden Benevolent Association, made vacant by the death of Charles Marsh, and forwards \$969.35, which will be acknowledged in detail in the March Home Missionary.

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in December. Miss NATHALIE LORD, Home Secretary.

Andover, Free Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. J. W. Smith, barrel.	\$50 00
Beverly, Ladies, by Mrs. H. A. Simonds, barrel.	50 00
Boston, Ladies, by Mrs. Wm. T. Shapleigh, barrel, \$56.75; two barrels, \$216.90	263 65
Park St. Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. I. E. Parker, barrel and cash.	185 00
Union Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. C. W. Baldwin, barrel.	163 16
Old South Ch., Ladies' Sew. Circle, by Miss S. L. Day, two barrels.	209 60
Braytonville, Miss Jarvis's S. S. Class, by Mrs. H. S. Caswell, Christmas box.	
Brighton, Ladies, by Mrs. Benj. Wormelle, Christmas box.	43 24
Brockton, Ladies, by Mrs. M. M. Holland, barrel, cash, and freight.	98 40
Cambridge, First, Ladies, by Mrs. S. L. Hall, barrel and two packages.	166 50
Chicopee Falls, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. M. L. Stillwell, cash and box.	135 00
Concord, Trin., Ladies' Miss. Soc., by H. J. Hubbard, two barrels.	160 00
Dalton, Sew. Soc., by Clara L. Crane, barrel.	100 00
Dorchester, Pilgrim, Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs. Otis Bramhall, box.	110 00
Easton, Evan. Cong. Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. F. Homes, barrel and freight.	59 05
Fall River, Ladies' Beneficent Soc., by Mrs. A. B. Jennings, barrel.	100 00
Framingham, Ladies' Sew. Circle, by Miss Elizabeth Stone, box and freight.	365 00
Franklin, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Wm. Rockwood, barrel.	83 05
Harwich, Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Mrs. F. D. Underwood, barrel and freight.	47 00
Hopkinton, Ladies, by S. B. Crooks, barrel.	77 50
Jamaica Plain, Central, Ladies' Home Miss. Soc., by Mrs. L. J. Wood, barrel and freight.	107 66
Lawrence, Lawrence St. Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Cora M. Wadsworth, barrel.	110 00
Trin., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Mary R. Rowell, box and barrel.	
Lowell, High St., Ladies, by Mrs. C. W. Huntington, two barrels.	208 00
Kirk St., Ladies, by Mrs. David N. Patterson, box and freight.	263 47
Pawtucketville, Ladies, by Lizzie A. Russell, barrel and cash.	80 00

Malden, First, Ladies, by Miss S. D. Bartley, two barrels.....	\$123 27	Bridgeport, Park St., by F. W. Storrs, \$31.57; Y. P. S. C. E., \$10.....	\$44 37
Medford, Mystic, Ladies, by Mrs. James L. Hill, barrel.....	96 00	Olivet, by Rev. E. K. Holden.....	22 52
Merrimac, Ladies' Social Circle, by Mrs. O. F. Seavey, barrel and freight.....	118 72	Eastford, by Henry Trowbridge.....	10 50
Milford, N. H., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. J. B. Melendy, check, barrel, and freight.....	38 22	East Haddam, First, by E. W. Chaffee, \$31.14; for A. H. M. S., \$31.73.....	62 57
Monson, Ladies, by Mrs. M. E. Tufts, barrel.....	30 00	Farmington, First, by R. H. Gay.....	115 00
Newburyport, Prospect St., H. M. Soc., by Miss A. S. Edwards, two barrels and freight.....	129 27	Franklin, by Rev. H. E. Hart.....	10 00
Newtonville, Ladies' Sew. Circle, by Mrs. Z. D. Kelley, barrel and cash.....	111 81	Glastonbury, South Glastonbury, Ch. and S. S., by H. D. Dale.....	6 50
Northfield, Ladies, by Mary T. Dutton, barrel.....	41 00	Greenwich, North Greenwich, by B. Cloae Haddam, First, by Mrs. F. H. Arnold.....	15 84
Pittsfield, Free Will Soc., by Mrs. Mary B. Davis, barrel.....	77 10	Hartland, East Hartland, by E. P. Jones.....	5 80
Plymouth, Ladies, by Mrs. Lydia A. Jenks, box.....	118 65	West Hartland, by H. L. Wilcox.....	14 40
Providence, Blackstone Park, Mission Workers, by Laura B. Kimball, Christmas box.....	80 00	Kent, by R. Frisbie.....	6 00
Randolph, First, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. J. C. Labaree, box and freight.....	181 40	Killingly, Danielsonville, by Chas. Phillips, \$43.77; for A. H. M. S., \$49.75.....	15 32
Reading, Ladies' Social Circle, by Miss Jessie Grouard, two barrels.....	60 00	Lebanon, Exeter, by Chas. E. Loomis.....	92 35
Roxbury, Eliot, Chris. End. Soc., by Miss Woolson, barrel and exp.....	83 30	Manchester, First, by C. E. House, \$37.87; for A. H. M. S., \$37.84.....	16 27
Salem, South Ch., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by A. M. Farrington, two barrels and freight.....	235 45	Madison, Ladies' Miss. Soc., for A. H. M. S., by Mrs. C. A. Gallup, \$32; by Dea. J. A. Scranton, \$13.35.....	75 68
Sharon, Sew. Circle, by Miss Sarah B. Chute, barrel and freight.....	87 00	Mansfield, Second, by Geo. F. King.....	45 46
Somerville, Franklin St., H. M. Br. Ladies' Aid Soc., by Miss Emma M. Moore, box.....	147 00	Middletown, First, by L. F. Denio.....	3 00
Spencer, Ladies, by Mrs. C. O. Tyler, barrel.....	85 49	New Britain, First, by A. N. Lewis.....	114 69
Sunderland, King's Daughters, \$7.90; Ladies, by Mrs. G. F. Abbey, barrel and freight.....	68 22	South, by W. H. Hart, \$181.47; for Salary Fund, \$10, for A. H. M. S.....	62 45
Taunton, Trin., Ladies, by Miss Lucy A. Worthen, cash, barrel, and freight.....	142 68	Bethany, Swedish, by Rev. E. G. Hjerpe.....	291 47
Wakefield, Ladies' Char. Soc., by Mrs. T. J. Skinner, box.....	37 00	New Haven, Emanuel, Swedish, by Axel Hallgren.....	18 38
Watertown, Phillips, Sew. Circle, by Mrs. M. Fuller, barrel.....	9 00	Danish, by Rev. John Hansen.....	5 00
West Boxford, Female Char. Soc., by Miss Anna P. Park, barrel and freight.....	61 60	North Canaan, East, by A. B. Garfield.....	6 29
West Brookfield, Dorcas Soc., by H. E. Woodis, box.....	73 00	North Haven, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mary W. Eliot.....	26 00
Westfield, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Henry Hooker, barrel.....	66 63	Plainfield, by Walter Kingsley.....	4 05
West Roxbury, So. Evan. Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. Chas. J. Smith, barrel.....	110 73	Putnam, Second, by H. N. Fenn, \$1.32; for A. H. M. S., \$12.69.....	23 91
Worcester, Piedmont, Jun. Br. Benev. Union, by Florence H. Chaffer, box.....	40 00	Redding, by T. M. Abbott.....	26 77
Plymouth, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. C. H. Stearns, box.....	156 50	Somers, Somersville, by E. C. Chapman.....	16 24
Old South Ch., Miss. Soc., by Miss Elia M. Sibley, two barrels.....	187 00	Southbury, South Britain, by Maria C. Bradley.....	1 60

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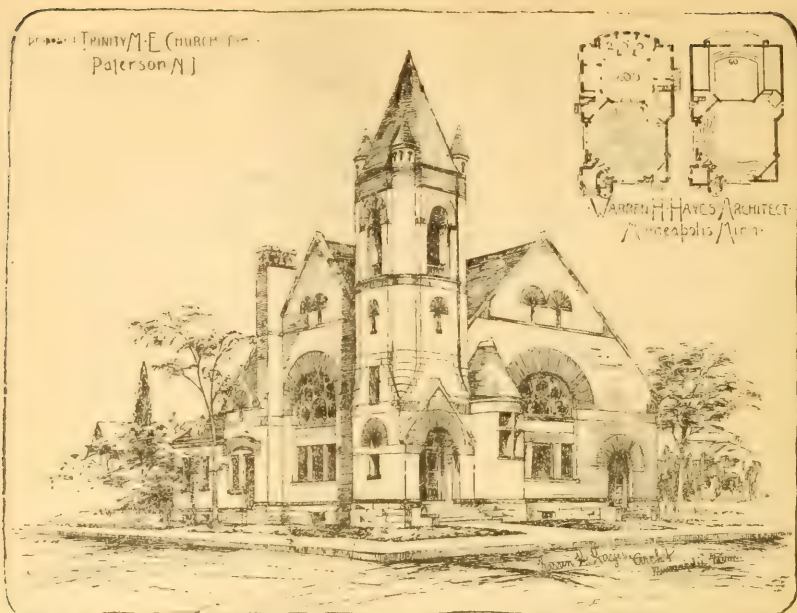
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THE fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.—*Paul.*

“How easy to see that time, labor, and money, spent in a thousand ways will only be ‘hay, wood, and stubble,’—fuel for the fire of God. On the other hand, every service in building Christian churches, extending the kingdom of Christ, and every effort for the salvation of a lost race, will stand down the eternities with God's work, and will receive his reward.

“Money thus invested would be in a savings-bank of perpetual, eternal charter. May not the words of Jesus to the man who ‘had great possessions’ come now to many professing Christians who have wealth? ‘Sell what thou hast and give’; or, in other words, change your investments from real estate, merchandise, stocks, or bonds, and deposit in the Bank of God, that shall return dividends of which ‘eye hath not seen nor ear heard.’ ”

“What I gave that I kept.
What I kept that I lost.”

A NEW COVENANT: Being fully satisfied that if I should, according to the teaching of 1 Cor. 16: 1-2, on every Lord's Day, as a part of my private worship, consider the wants of the world, compared with my own wants, and my ability to relieve them, and act each time as the law of love seemed then to require, I should thus be led to pray, give, and do more for the good of men, and the glory of God, than I otherwise should, I acknowledge that I ought to do so, and promise that I will, and that I will do all I can to influence others to adopt the same system of beneficence.—*Rev. G. B. Nutting, in Northwestern Congregationalist.*

WHAT IS THE MATTER?

THERE is scarcely a benevolent organization in our Protestant denomination, says an exchange, that is not at times in serious embarrassment for want of funds. If this is not the case it means that they keep out of debt by not going in, thus making no attempt to meet the pressing demand.

The embarrassment grows out of the relation between cash and calls. Work as urgently demanded, as promising, as ripe as any yet undertaken, has all the while been waiting, calling, crowding on the attention of the executive officers of all these Boards, that they could not touch. The wanting factor was the funds. What does this mean?

Is the kingdom of our Lord growing too fast? Are the men of God at the front in our own land, or the missionaries in foreign lands, working to work up openings? On the contrary, they are turning away from more openings than they enter. And the entrance upon the work they do take up is in response to urgent, spontaneous calls. The very hardest part of the work is refusing the bread of life to the pleading, perishing multitudes, and that because funds will not allow the enlargement. Not too rapidly, but all too slowly, is the kingdom of our Lord growing.

There is urgent need of at least two things: 1. The clear recognition of the fact that a vital part of genuine Christian living consists in Christian giving. 2. That the making of offerings to God should be as regular, systematic, and conscientious as prayer, or praise, or any other spiritual act.

When the Jewish tabernacle was to be built *all the people* were asked to bring an offering to God; so in the building and repairing of the temple. That established the principle. The Holy Spirit through Paul (I Cor. 16: 2), gave us the best conceivable system. Christians of limited means can in no other way so easily do their whole duty in this matter. Thousands upon thousands who now give nothing could easily very materially increase the available funds for the work by adopting this system. Ask many good Christians to give \$5 at once; their honest reply is, "It is impossible." Ask the same persons to give a dime a week; they can do it.

It is well said that there is not enough large giving. The rich do not give in proportion to means. Just as true is it that there is not enough small giving. The poor man's ten cents is as really demanded, and is just as acceptable to God, if it is all he can do, as the rich man's thousand dollars.

Who have more power than any, if not all combined, to change the present condition of our benevolent work?

Beyond a question, no other class has the power in this matter that the pastors of the churches have. Let every pastor in the land be possessed of the principle that the Gospel of evangelization is an essential part of the Gospel of personal salvation ; let each, in due proportion, lay before God's people the demands of his own work on all the field, which is the world ; then let every church organize, on the plan of the Holy Spirit, and give as regularly as they eat ; let this apply as well to the home and foreign missionary field as to the older and abler churches, the dependent asking less aid, and the independent giving more, and how long would the present distress continue ?

MONEY AND THE KINGDOM.

BY REV. SILAS L. SMITH.

"SEE here, Elder, you said the other day that you could not understand why it is that so many people regularly attend public funerals who never attend the regular services of the church. Now, I can tell you. Whenever one goes to church he is sure to have the contribution box stuck under his nose. Consequently many folks stay away. I tell you there is only one religious service that I really enjoy, and that is funerals, for they never take up collections there."

Thus the pastor of a village church was recently accosted by one of his parishioners—I say parishioners because sickness or death in that man's family would demand that pastor's services.

The incident reminds one of the story of the deacon who told his friend—a member of a sister church—about "our smart minister whom we get at a bargain. Do you know, we have to pay him only three hundred dollars. My religion last year cost me only seventy-five cents."

Such sentiments are not confined to semi-barbarous communities. Similar views may be picked up around the outskirts of almost any well-regulated church.

The question I wish to ask is this: Are not the ministers themselves somewhat responsible for such a state of affairs ?

Many flocks never receive any instruction in regard to their financial duties to the Kingdom, because their pastors are too sensitive to speak of money matters in their sermons. They hardly dare plead for the missionary societies in other than a *begging* tone. One would almost think that the Societies were allowed to exist by suffrance rather than by right. As to the local church expenses they dare not speak a word except by apology.

The Church is not a beggar in the world. It pays its way even in material blessings. Why should not the minister speak up boldly, yet

tenderly, lovingly to his people, and tell them their financial duties and privileges, just as he tells them their social or other duties. Might not this penuriousness, so prevalent in the "uttermost forts of the camp," be cast out if there were a little more frank and systematic teaching on this subject in the pulpit?

A prominent member of Pilgrim Church, St. Louis, while speaking on this subject said: "As laymen we expect our pastor to frankly tell us our financial duties. *We thank him for it.*"

Such instruction that layman and others of that church doubtless received; for, while the membership of Pilgrim Church cannot be called wealthy, the contributions of that body both for local and general work are so large that it ranks among the first of our denomination.

Because the membership of a church is poor is not a valid reason for neglecting to instruct them in matters pertaining to money and the Kingdom. They stand in all the more need of it, that their little may be used in wisdom.

It is a well-known fact that the great burden of our missionary societies is supported by only a few of our churches. The many which are not now contributing to their support doubtless would if their pastors were not too timid to urge the matter upon them. It is also well known that where collections are taken for these societies a few people, not of the wealthiest, contribute the larger part. In regard to this whole matter, *education* is the principal need. Who is to do this educating? The pastor.

SUGGESTIVE.

As a family we have abstained from the use of butter for one week, and are thereby able to send you a postal note for two dollars and twenty-five cents.

I HAVE been very much interested in the subject of systematic giving ever since I was married. My husband had practiced it for a long time before, but I had never thought much about it. I was willing to continue the practice, and began to search for myself to see what the Bible said on the subject; I was convinced that it was a *duty*, and have since learned that it is a sweet and blessed privilege. It seemed right for us to give one-fifth of our income to the Lord, and we have done so, often feeling it a privilege to add "free-will offerings." It is only a little that we can give, as we live on a small farm, and our income is necessarily small, but we are *very* thankful that we can do anything.

My husband is very kind, and gives me the proceeds of the butter and poultry, so I enjoy having *my* little to give.

Our little girls enjoy doing something to earn money, so they can have some of their own to give to the Lord.

THE best way to raise money is to put your hand down into your pocket until you get a good grip on the money, and then—raise it!

LAST Easter I gave the members of our intermediate class in Sunday-school a nickel to be spent as each saw fit, the proceeds to be "missionary money." Last Sunday they brought in their earnings, and the result of the seven nickels was \$13. They voted to give the whole sum to the A. H. M. S.—*Dakota*.

I HASTEN to send you what I have in hand, believing that these demands come to us to bring about a deeper consecration of ourselves as individuals to the Lord—a consecration which shall *include* our possessions—reaching into our pockets, and taking the silver and the gold to extend the knowledge of the Gospel to those who must perish without it. How can a soul ransomed from the power of Satan, and the bondage of sin, translated into the kingdom of our Lord, charmed and soothed by the blessed hope of the Gospel, be callous to the wants of those who are without hope, and without God in the world.

A soul having the faintest love for Jesus must have some of his pity for the needy and the lost. He went about doing good. He responded to every call of distress—and, yes, when there was no eye to pity, no arm to save. He came and made a way of help—inaugurated a gospel of good news. His last words to his disciples were, "Go preach this gospel to every creature."

These considerations must, it seems to me, urge each lover of the Lord Jesus, as he receives these calls for help, to carry the Gospel to the needy, to look carefully to *his* duty in the matter.

Are the mites going into the Lord's Treasury, while the abundance ministers to the pride and luxury of life?

Are the Lord's heralds pinched with poverty, while we, his professed servants, blessed with fruitful seasons, use that of which he has made us stewards, for selfish gratification? May the Lord enable us all to see our duty, as well as privilege, in his work of saving the world. Then there will be no need of appeals for the unpaid missionary workers, but instead word will be sent, "The people bring more than enough for the service of the work."—*Massachusetts*.

At the recent dedication of a home missionary church in Minnesota, some one proposed that a collection be taken for a church bell. The boxes were passed. The only cash in the pocket-book of the missionary pastor was \$3.50, which had been sent him from the East for "foot-wear" for the coming winter. He hesitated a moment, and decided to

"get along without it and help along the bell." So the check was dropped into the box. In less than five minutes they raised more than enough for the bell, and passed a vote to return the check to the pastor. The next morning he went to the store to buy the needed foot-wear, and as he handed the check to the merchant a man stepped up to the counter and paid the bill! The check was replaced in the missionary pocket-book to meet the next need, and the good man went on his way singing, "Praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men."

"DESPISE NOT THE DAY OF SMALL THINGS."

SHOULD any church doubt whether it is strong enough to maintain a missionary society and do regular missionary work, it may derive some encouragement from the following statement of work actually done in one small church in the Arkansas Valley Association. The society was organized in October, 1883, in a church which was at that time itself dependent upon the missionary funds; and some doubt was expressed whether, being ourselves objects of charity, we ought not to bring every cent into our own treasury, and become independent before we tried to help others. But our president strongly urged the immediate formation of the society, not only as a means of help to others but as a strength and inspiration to ourselves. So the society was organized, the yearly dues fixed at twenty-five cents each, and a monthly concert for missions determined upon.

Looking at our slender resources and the sharp struggle that was before us before we should reach self-support, the most sanguine among us thought that a yearly contribution of from eight to ten dollars would be a large sum for us to raise. But the children came to our help, and during our first year we raised \$18.70. We took heart and entered upon another year with fresh courage.

Again we met, elected our officers, *paid our dues*, and kept up our monthly concert, learning more and more continually of the need and suffering that are in the world, as we read and listened to the cry for help which every wind seemed to bring to us. Again the children helped.

At a meeting held in the spring of 1885, each one promised to do something, however small, and bring the earnings on some day which should be appointed for a general ingathering. Early in October the ingathering was held. The audience-room was decorated with autumn fruits and sheaves, and after a few appropriate recitations and songs, the bright-faced children brought, one by one, their mites and cast them into the treasury for the service of the Lord.

As they dropped in the shining dimes and quarters and dollars, each one told how the money had been earned. They had raised chickens and cabbages, run errands, minded the baby, washed dishes, done whatsoever their willing hands found to do; and we, looking at the glad faces and listening to the ringing voices, knew that the offerings came from willing hearts and were acceptable in the sight of the Master. So that year we raised \$38.80.

Again the work went on. The dues were paid and the monthly concerts kept up, and some new industries were reported among the children when the October ingathering came round. One lad had cared for a colt, two had captured and tamed prairie dogs for sale, and altogether our contributions for 1886 amounted to \$43. This may not seem like a large sum to you, but nevertheless it was "wonderful in our eyes," and we had all enjoyed the earning as well as the giving. That autumn our children were regularly organized into a juvenile missionary society, under the name of "Ministering Children." The year following—1887—was a very hard one. Drought came, and partial failure of the crops. We suffered from removals and from severe sickness. On the very day first appointed for our ingathering one of our workers, a bright lad of fifteen, was borne amid many tears to his last quiet home. But when, after all discouragements and difficulties, we made up our yearly account, we found that we had raised \$49.84, and knew, as we had also known concerning the sums raised in former years, that not one cent of this money would have come into the church work in any other way than through the Missionary Society.—*M. H. F., Kansas*

HOW IT WAS DONE.

You ask me to tell how we were able to make our recent contribution to the American Home Missionary Society. There is no patent on the method, and it works like a charm.

Nearly twenty years ago, when young in the ministry, and our income unusually small, I studied systematic benevolence with considerable care, and, concluding that Christian love ought not to be less potent than ancient requirement, determined, so long as it should be possible to live on the remainder, to give not less than one-tenth of my gross resources to missions. Till that time I had regarded myself a liberal giver, but had kept no exact account of my ability or of my gifts. Since then my salary has sometimes been small, never more than \$1,500 per year; and occasionally with an earnestness approaching agony I have prayed, "Give us this day our daily bread." But daily bread has never failed; in sickness friendship has been wondrously kind; Jehovah-Jireh has been both prophecy and history; and among the luxuries of all these years has

been that of putting quite a sum of money into various fields of Christian work which I cannot enter myself.

You remember I was some years in the West, and I know something of the undertakings and opportunities of the Home Missionary Society. Not narrow in sympathies, not believing that the field is America or that every creature lives in the United States, I do greatly love this nation, whose blue clothes I once wore, and for which I thought myself willing, if need be, to die. By the favor of God I live and the nation lives. But its peril is not past, and I rejoice to be spared to toil and give rather than die and be buried for our country. If true to our opportunities and to God, we have unequalled facilities for blessing the entire habitable globe. To be able to give even a little to this work is a great pleasure; to be able to give much, as it seems to me, would be a greater pleasure. Consecration and systematic giving will kill old greed, make opportunity a delight, and giving a sweet satisfaction.

Now do not laugh at me, for in a small way I am actually making money. This tithing, or more than tithing all, leads to economy. Then the Lord has added his blessing, and really we are getting ahead. Our children are taking up the same habits, and this may be to them better than a princely income. The boys have a fairer outlook for college than their father had when of their age, and we look hopefully toward the future. Faith has grown from these experiences; and I could wish that all Christians, everywhere, knew the blessing of consecrating all their possessions, and then, if possible, of giving not less than one tenth to Christian beneficence. Then treasurers, heathen, angels, and God would rejoice together — *D.*

THE "WAITING MISSIONARY."

It is an omen of good that some of the recent "specials" have been designated, "To pay the honest dues of a waiting missionary." This is certainly an advance upon organs, bells, lamps, etc., although such articles are needed in carrying on the work. But a missionary pastor haunting the post-office for the Society draft, is a "special" that ought to enlist the interest of every Christian man and woman, and open all pocket-books until the Society's treasury can meet the Society's obligations to its men.

A recent "Sacrifice gift" made it possible for the Society to send the coveted draft to a waiting pioneer, who expresses himself as follows:

"The long looked-for letter from the office of the A. H. M. S., inclosing salary for quarter ending October 1, 1891, reached me this morning. I was crazy at once; went out and paid my coal, grocery, and other bills with a happy heart, and so strengthened my credit at the stores that I ought to be able to run in debt for another three months.

"I felt *just good!* and fully sympathized with my wife for ordering a turkey for dinner to celebrate. After looking in vain for this draft since October 15, you may imagine that for once at least it seemed more blessed to receive than to give.

"Yet it went just as freely as it came for debts that pressed for payment; and we had some to spare for our daughter at college, who asked for money two months ago and waited until now. I think she also must have been glad when she took a \$12 prize, and so gained a little money which she could not get from us.

"Well, after all, we haven't been hurt; but I did feel for a time that my credit at the stores was far from good.

"God bless the Christian woman for her kind thought for the waiting missionary at the front!"

A PERSONAL LETTER.

FROM REV. E. LYMAN HOOD, SUPERINTENDENT, NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA.

LAST Saturday noon I reached Winslow, a town made up of railway men exclusively. In the afternoon I visited the sick and called at most of the houses. There is no church organized in the place, and no minister resides there. In the evening the village school-house was well filled. I carry a supply of "Gospel Hymns" with me. With these we sang half an hour while the people were gathering before the regular service, in which I preached a gospel sermon. A car repairer told me at the close he had not attended a church service before for nearly three years.

On the following day, Sunday, at nine o'clock, I held a consecration service in the cottage of an engineer, and baptized their only child. They had invited in their few neighbors, and the service seemed to be much appreciated, and was withal a very tender and touching one.

From there I went to a saloon, where lay the body of a cowboy who had died the day before. The gamblers and saloon men of the town, who were his special friends, provided for his burial and asked me to "conduct a Christian service." About thirty men were present, the coffin was lying on chairs before the bar. There were no chairs besides these in the room. We, therefore, all stood during the reading of Scripture and prayer. Then the body was placed in a wagon, and we followed on foot to the grave on the mesa. I had spoken to several ladies, and they came to the grave, where I held a brief committal service, speaking of the uncertainty of life and the blessed hope in Christ. It was a sad funeral. He died very suddenly. He had no relatives or intimate friends present. We knew nothing of his past life or his former home in the East. I bury many such.

After meeting, later, some men on business, I took the train and came east to Holbrook. Spent the afternoon in calling upon the people. In the evening we had a good congregation gathered in the school-house. Spoke to them on the death of Christ for us, as I hope to hold a communion service on my next visit, and sit around the Lord's table in remembrance of him. The next morning I started out to raise some money. Mr. Gould, a student, preached here once on Sunday during the summer, and I have been coming here as often as possible for nearly four years. Collected \$37. The people are poor; nearly all were one dollar subscriptions. Last year we raised on this field, all told, for the Society, \$726. The most of it was collected in small offerings. We hope to do still better this year.

I took the train at noon, reaching Coolidge at dark. This is a railway town with only a half-dozen houses. Held a service in the hotel. Only eight were present, but it was a precious meeting—the first religious service that had been held there in a long time. At eleven o'clock took the train and reached home the next morning.

I am sure you will excuse the many I's in this letter. But I am glad to write you how much joy I find in my work on the frontier. Cowboys, miners, railway men, show me every kindness. All classes here show the greatest respect for the Christian minister and his work. I leave tomorrow for White Oaks, a 200-mile stage-ride.

THE CHURCH BELL.

THE outlook at Telluride, Colo., is surely bright. One of the best buildings is the church, its tower, like the peaks about it, lifting the eye and thought. In that tower, the gift of an Eastern gentleman, is a sweet-toned bell. It sounds grandly as it rings out its cordial invitation to the house of God.

“The bells in the steeple
Ring peace to the people;
‘God loves you!’ they cry.”

The miners, miles away on the mountain sides, hear it, and by it are reminded of sacred things.

It was Sabbath morning; the first church bell of the camp was ringing for the first time. A miner on “Carbonate Hill” heard it, stood silent for a moment, and then exclaimed to a companion: “Pard, Jesus Christ has come to Leadville.”—*Superintendent Sanders.*

Dear Home Missionary:

I was very much interested in the above paragraph, which I found in your January number. It has suggested the following lines, which I send you for publication, if you will accept them.

These lines have an echo in my own experience, for my church at Salt Lake City was the first Congregational church in all Utah to have a

bell; and the first time it rang for evening prayer-meeting two men came in because, as they said, it recalled "Old England" to them, and the time when they went to chapel.

You ask, "*How shall we induce people to read missionary literature?*" My answer has always been, By the pastor reading it and telling his people of the good things found in the same. I can count on my largest congregation Sunday morning or evening, if I am to give a missionary talk.—*Rev. John E. Hurlbut.*

Out amid the mountains, wondrous in their might,
Snow-crowned, that like diamonds flash in morning's light;
Or, when evening cometh in the sunset gleam,
Seem the golden city of John's heavenly dream.

Yet no heaven reigneth in this land so fair,
But a hell of passions wild with sin's despair.
Still the Master seeketh lost sheep even here:
Hark to voice of church bell sounding soft and clear.

And the miner, lifting head to catch the tone,
Thinks of old New England, where to youth he'd grown;
And he slowly speaketh, first with wonder dumb:
"Pard, at last to Leadville Jesus Christ has come."

THE MOUNTAINS OF GEORGIA.

By REV. S. F. GALE, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA.

IN many respects a tour in the mountain region of Georgia is a great change from the ordinary touring in the three States of this South-eastern superintendency of the American Home Missionary Society. It takes one out of the cotton belt as effectually as a tour in the land of the cocoa-palm and the pine-apple. The scenery and resources are peculiar. The people are mountaineers. Their character takes something from their environment. However, in the main, there are only the common kinds of saints and sinners in this section, and, as a consequence, need exists for only the common Gospel which "is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

From Gainesville, on the Richmond and Danville railway, to Sprigg's Chapel, where the Blue Ridge District Conference was organized, is thirty-three miles. Thence, the route out of Dawson County, through Lumpkin into Union, by way of Cooper's Gap in the Blue Ridge, out of Union and through Fannin, and over the Ridge again to Ellijay on the Marietta and North Georgia railway in Gilmer County, is a full hundred miles. The complete "circuit," with Atlanta as starting and ending point, calls for two hundred and seventy-six miles.

The way is not hard to find, as it is generally well marked by notched posts or trees, and sign-boards. One of the latter, near Dawsonville, not as plain as it might be, is as follows :

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In those Northern counties the Northern and Southern pines grow together, along with the beech and hemlock, and oaks of almost every name. The timber resources are immense. The brand of the lumbering syndicate is a common mark. A vast stumpage has already been sold. Wood manufactories are going up in places from which this forest wealth is accessible. The country drained to the northward has a good soil. Corn fields may be seen stretching to the tops of some of the mountains. This explains the peculiar "dew" of these altitudes. The apple orchards flourish wonderfully. The country must be one of surpassing beauty in the springtime. The laurel, the trailing arbutus, and the rhododendron line the water-courses and cover the hillsides. The rhododendron exhibitor in the annual Boston show should come here to grow his entries. On the north side of the Ridge cold springs and trout streams abound.

There are gold diggings scattered through this country, but there is more wealth in the mountain air and water.

It is a land "flowing with milk and honey." The latter cannot be excelled by the product of the Swiss bee. All through the woods the bell tintinnabulateth on kine and sheep. The cow-bell, which a certain big black steer rings, has been heard in this mountain air a distance of five miles. Such an appetite as one has here! The day after the "Bishop" and I arrived, our host came home with fifty pounds of mountain steak. Chicago beef could not compete with it.

It is still the land of honest, true-dyed, and unfading homespun. The dames all teach their clear-eyed, rosy-cheeked daughters to keep time and tune to the hum of wheel, and the click of the reel. And here, no doubt, the laddie sometimes holds the skein while the lassie winds the ball.

Two very happy days, Saturday and Sunday—the regular appointments of the pastor, Rev. John Spriggs—were spent with the Pleasant Union Church at Suches, in Union County, assisting the pastor. Being in his "diocese," I was under his authority, and aided by his direction in four services by preaching and otherwise. The measles reached Suches before we did, but the audiences, though considerably reduced on this account, were still large, patient, and apparently blest, and many were not only blest but glorious.

Such a house at Suches! Located beautifully on a flat-topped hill amidst the mountains; grand old Blood, the highest in Georgia, directly overlooking the spot and standing guard unweariedly; accessible by all the settlement roads; a convenience to a large area of country not otherwise accommodated with church privileges. But the house itself; it has not all the appurtenances of a modern hundred thousand dollar house in the city. It has no door, but a right smart place for one; no floor, save the hard gravelly red clay strewn with straw; no windows, but plenty of crannies for light to come in; no upholstered pews, but plenty of loose chestnut poles about five inches in diameter, and hewed on one side, and a few of the same with legs inserted on the unhewed side in two inch auger holes; no wainscoting except a few shingles, such as the roof is made of—oak, rived, three feet long, six to eight inches wide, and unmarked with the draw-knife, nailed over some of the cracks, between the logs, for the whole is made of logs, hewed on one side, and joined at the corners with notch and scarf; no chandelier, but one lamp with a reflector hung on the wall behind where the pulpit ought to be, and a lantern hung on the table of unplanned boards with hewed chestnut legs which serves as pulpit; no furnace, but a cheery “hearth-stone” near the middle of the floor, as dead embers witnessed; no——; no——, etc. But what? It fills the bill temporarily; furnishes a much better shelter than the “bush arbor,” its predecessor; occupies the permanent church site, and helps to consecrate it, giving the young church organization “a local habitation,” such as it is; inspires the people to build a better, which they are planning to do, while already under the hill the mill is being put up that will saw the lumber for it; makes a palpable argument and a good case for aid from the Congregational Union to build on this “high place” such a house as this people need and deserve, and as will properly represent Congregationalism in these parts; houses rudely, what many a costly temple does not house at all, a true church of the living God, a church with whom he is present manifestly.

The house has proved too small, even to begin with, as only when the measles are favorable can half the people who come to worship get into the house. It is twenty-five feet square or more. *It was built from the stump in one day!* “To-morrow night,” so the pastor announced at the close of a Sunday service held under the bush arbor two or three months before, “to-morrow night we will have preaching in the new church on our lot yonder.” “Ugh, ugh,” they said down under the arbor.

“Yes; to-morrow night,” said the pastor. And they did. “Many hands make light work.” Just as the sun dropped the next day behind the blue peaks in the mist, the workmen finished sawing out the doorway, and then, within twenty-four hours from the time the announcement was made, all who could get in went into the new house with prayer

and praise. I imagine the strength of those ten inch rafters was tested by the first congregation they ever sheltered.

The church organization has prospered from the first—less than a year. It now numbers forty. Assured growth is before it. It will soon see other churches of its own kind springing into life, and coming into its fellowship. Let it have its house—the projected house, and let the Congregational Union grant the aid asked; so, surely, the prayer of an old-time worthy for another church of the same faith and order will be answered for this church: “Eminent in site, may it be eminent in light and love.”

It is forty miles from Suches through the mountains to Cartecay, where Rev. F. G. Smith faithfully tends his flock. At the end of a long day's ride we found him and his flock waiting for us. It was a pleasure to meet him and them, and have worship together. Though the people had just been well fed by a sermon from their beloved pastor—we were so late—they seized mercilessly the stranger whom they found in their midst and compelled him to preach another. The Cartecay church has just obtained a fine site for a house, and will before long arise and build. Their case appears to be a good one, and, no doubt, the Congregational Union will aid in this promising and necessary work.

When crossing the Blue Ridge at Cooper's Gap, northward, it seemed as if a good halloo would easily call up Rev. Dr. Frazer, of Knoxville, Tennessee, and, as well, an old friend and neighbor, Rev. S. E. Lathrop, of Sherwood, in that State. So came more sensibly to mind the fact that from the great lakes in the North our Congregational fellowship stretches in unbroken chain across the broad land.

In the backward look, standing so near the northernmost Congregational church in Georgia, I seemed clearly to see beyond the low, smoky horizon our southernmost church, not only in Florida, but in the United States, far down on the beautiful Lake Worth, among the fronded palms, seven hundred and ninety-three miles distant. And, with a little more imagination, I could hear the bell on Knowles Hall call the faculty and students of Rollins College to their first assembly this sixth year of the institution, for it was the opening day. And could I not also hear from Fort Payne the bell-call of the first term of the institution planted by Rev. A. E. Berry and his associates! Churches, colleges, Chautauquas, and the rest, “Sow thy seed.” Plant, plant, plant; Water, water, water! And may God give abundant increase.—*November 1891.*

A GOLDEN MESSAGE.—“Please find inclosed a golden wedding offering to the dear Lord for all his goodness and mercy that have followed us all

the days of our lives. A portion of this is the golden, loving gifts of friends. Ten dollars of it represents one gold dollar from each of our children and grandchildren, as a golden wedding offering. May our Heavenly Father bless this, our offering to his work."—*From a constant reader of The Home Missionary.*

OKLAHOMA.

By REV. J. H. PARKER, SUPERINTENDENT.

ALLOW me to give the readers of *The Home Missionary* an idea of our work and joy in Oklahoma for one month. December 1st, Looked after some church and home duties in Kingfisher. 2d, Ran down to El Reno to see Pastor Minnis and look over the new church building nearing completion and new parsonage in process of building. 3d, At Dover with "Gospel Wagon Boys." Preached. 4th, Up to Hennessey. 5th, Back to Dover. Preached. 6th, Preached in the morning, and organized First Congregational Church of Dover, a little band, but full of vigor and hope. No Congregationalists in it, but splendid material to make good ones. This is halfway between Kingfisher and Hennessey on Rock Island Railroad. 7th and 8th, Rested at home and brought up correspondence. 9th, Started on an all-round tour through the Territory and drove with team to Guthrie, thirty-six miles. Attended prayer-meeting with Brother Way and his people in West Guthrie. There are about 1,500 of Guthrie's population on the west side of Cottonwood River. Our Union Church and a little M. E. organization are the only churches there to meet their spiritual needs. Lawrence F. Way, our new pastor, comes to us from another denomination and from the South, but fits into the needs of this field as if made for it. He and his cheery wife have found a large and a hard field, but will gain the victory. The "Little Builders" are in the lead in this work at present. The Sunday-school is growing very fast. After conference with Brothers Bosworth and Lumpkin, both members of the H. M. Committee, concerning their work and the work in general, I drove, on the 10th, to Oklahoma City, thirty-four miles. Was entertained here at the pretty parsonage by Mr. and Mrs. Francis. Attended prayer-meeting with Pilgrim Church. This church is coming to a place of influence and power under Pastor Francis. They rejoice in a new bell, the first in any Protestant church of the city. The ladies of the church, with some help from thoughtful friends away, paid for it. 11th, Drove through mud and in the face of a driving rain sixteen miles to Choctaw City, where Brother Childs and his worthy wife, a true helpmeet, hold the spiritual fort alone. A gracious work is being done here. Found the pastor and his little flock getting church building plastered and a parsonage built. 12th, Accompanied by Brother Childs.

rode to the county-seat of County "B," Tecumseh, thirty miles away. This is the southern county, formed out of a part of the Pottawatomie and Sac and Fox Reservations, lately admitted, and is bounded on the south by the Chickasaw and Seminole Nations, and on the east by the Creek Nation. I found a beautiful little town in a beautiful location. On Sabbath, the 13th, attended church services and Sunday-school in the morning at Shawneetown, three miles from Tecumseh, the Indian mission under Quaker control. In the afternoon, at Brother Adams's furniture store, organized the First Congregational Church of Tecumseh. Rev. Samuel Richards takes charge. Under his leadership a church building will be immediately erected. 14th, Rode thirty miles to the site of a new town, Keokuk Falls, located on North Canadian River, just across from northern boundary of Seminole County, and on the west line of the Creek Nation. Slept at a lumber camp and was royally treated. Got the promise from the agent of lots for church and parsonage as soon as the site was platted. Rode, on the 15th, directly north to Sac and Fox Agency, and then west to Chandler, county seat of County "A," a distance of thirty miles. Here was entertained at the parsonage, though the town was but a little over two months old. Ours was the only church organization. By February 1, 1892, we shall have, through the efforts of Pastor Buchanan, a beautiful little church and parsonage completed. Already the claim is made of 1,000 population. Two sawmills cut the native lumber within town limits, but other must be drawn fifty miles from Guthrie. On the 16th, went north to Perkins, where I met Pastor Snyder. Preached in the evening, and helped arrange for the building of church and parsonage. 17th, At noon was in Pastor Foster's at Stillwater. Preached for him in the evening. Consulted here with Pastors Foster, Snyder, and Moats concerning our work in Payne County, and decided to release Brother Moats for work at Downs. 18th, Went west twenty miles to Clearwater Valley church, and preached in the evening to a houseful of people at Brother Hastings's. Helped to arrange for building a church edifice here. 19th, Back to Guthrie, where a conference was held in regard to colored work in the Territory. Much needed, but no money. 20th, Took part, in the morning, with Brother Bosworth at Plymouth Church in a "Bell Service." The bell is a fine one, the gift of A. W. Parker, of Brooklyn. In the evening preached for Brother Way at West Guthrie. 21st, Back to Kingfisher. This is a running account of a 300-mile trip. Read, reflect, and pray for Oklahoma.

THE church at Benzonia, Michigan, is in many respects an ideal church. It was organized by Christian colonists, and has maintained to

a remarkable extent the spirit of consecration and self-sacrifice. The influence of these consecrated lives has permeated the whole community.

The town stands in striking contrast to many of the Northern Michigan towns, because of its freedom from saloons and, to a large extent, from the use of tobacco. Sabbath observance and church attendance are practically universal.

In the matter of benevolence it stands high. Contributions to the A. H. M. S. have often reached an average of one dollar a member, while the A. B. C. F. M. and A. M. A. have been close seconds. Under the newly adopted weekly offering system it is sending its contributions to all the Seven Societies.

Christian education, also, comes in for its share. We believe that Grand Traverse College, founded by the colonists here, will do for Northern Michigan what Oberlin did for the Western Reserve.

Woman's Department.

AND as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them.—
Paul.

“EVERY DAY let us renew our consecration to God's service.

EVERY DAY let us, in his strength, pledge ourselves afresh to do His will, even in the veriest trifle, and to turn aside from anything that may displease him.

EVERY DAY let us come to Him in simple obedience and faith, asking him to keep us, and aid us through that day's work, and to-morrow, and to-morrow, and to-morrow, through years of long to-morrows, it will be but the same thing to do: leaving the future always in God's hands, sure that he can care for it better than we.

Blessed trust! that can thus confidently say: “This hour is mine with its present duty; the next is God's, and when it comes, his presence will come with it.”

FIFTY YEARS OLD! The Ladies' Home Missionary Society of the Second Church of Norwich, Conn., having made a recent examination of their records, find that this venerable Society was organized fifty years ago as “The Missionary Sewing Society of Norwich City.” Membership fee twenty-five cents. The officers were a president, secretary, treasurer, purchasing committee, and appraisers. Regular meetings were held once in two weeks, from 2 o'clock to 9 p. m. The first Home Missionary to whom a box was sent was Rev. Gideon C. Johnson, Swanton, Ohio. The two boxes a year of former times have multiplied more than four-fold—and each box is more valuable than the last. Happy the missionary who receives a gift from this Society!

"The preparation of boxes," says the Secretary, Mrs. Mary B. Coit, "in those early years was much more laborious than in these. Then there were no Butterick's patterns of all kinds and sizes that are sure to meet the measurements sent, but patterns must be invented or borrowed from some one skillful in that line.

"There were no sewing-machines to speed on the work, but every garment had to be made entirely by the needle in the hands of the ladies, and there were no ready-made woven undergarments, nor nicely made shirts, nor suits of clothing for men and boys; all were made by the ladies, except the suit for the minister, for which new material was often sent in the box. How delighted were the ladies when the materials for a suit was given by some generous friend, as happened more than once. Among the later gifts remembered gratefully was a memorial gift of eighty dollars, which gave to five missionaries on the prairies a fur overcoat each. No wonder that it took months to complete a box. It was a work of patient industry, manifesting love and sympathy to the brethren and sisters who were enduring the hardships of frontier life, and of love to their Lord and Master for whom they wished to win their beloved land. Their patience was also tried by the length of time it took to hear of the reception of the box by the missionaries. The boxes were forwarded through the Home Missionary rooms in New York, and sometimes five months elapsed before a letter came from the missionary assisted. Now we should get anxious and almost impatient if five weeks passed without our receiving word that the box had reached its destination from any part of our country, however distant."

It would seem that the home missionary interest of these ladies of the olden time was not centered in boxes alone, in proof of which please read the following:

In 1843 the Society voted to send two hundred dollars for the salary of Rev. Gideon S. Johnson, a Home Missionary in Lucas County, Ohio, and this sum was sent him annually for thirteen years. Mention is made of more than one box of clothing prepared for his family, and of extra gifts of money. At one time Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, with their little child, came to visit their friends in Norwich, and the interest in him and his work was increased. When the failure of Mr. Johnson's health led him to withdraw from his connection with the American Home Missionary Society, fifty-two dollars was sent as an expression of sympathy to "our long-tried and faithful missionary," and it was gratefully acknowledged.

The anniversary exercises of this Society were attended by an enthusiastic audience, who gave appreciative attention to every detail of the program, as rendered by Mrs. L. W. Bacon, Mrs. W. S. Palmer, Mrs. Mary B. Coit, Miss E. S. Gilman, Mrs. H. S. Caswell, and Mrs. K. H. Leavens.



⇒ Our Young People. ⇒

DRILL QUESTIONS FOR THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.

13. Why do we need a Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army?

Ans. Because our country is in danger.

14. What is her danger?

Ans. There are multitudes of people coming to us from other countries who do not believe in our Christian religion.

15. How can they hurt us?

Ans. If they become sufficiently powerful they can destroy our Christian institutions.

16. What ought we to do?

Ans. We ought to plant the good seed faster than they plant the evil.

17. What do you mean by this?

Ans. We ought to reach the new town with the Sunday school and Gospel tent before these ungodly men reach it with the gambling den and the saloon tent.

18. How may this be done?

Ans. By giving the American Home Missionary Society money enough to send a missionary to every new town as soon as it is started.

MORNING PRAYER

FOR A VERY YOUNG SOLDIER.

Now I'm rising from my bed :
Like a bird I must be fed ;
Heavenly Father, let me share
With the sparrows in Thy care.
Take my heart, and make it good,
Feed my soul with heavenly food.

ARMY RECEIPTS.

TOTAL FROM RALLY DAY TO JANUARY 15.

<i>Regiment.</i>	<i>Companies.</i>	<i>Receipts.</i>
Alabama.....	1	\$1 00
Arkansas.....	1	4 00
Arizona.....	1	5 80
California.....	5	60 90
Colorado.....	2	12 30
Connecticut.....	44	482 78
District of Columbia.....	2	9 69
Florida.....	4	21 42
Illinois.....	2	15 50
Indiana.....	5	31 55
Indian Territory.....	1	7 47
Iowa.....	5	21 25
Kansas.....	2	1 93
Maine.....	18	125 30
Massachusetts.....	70	842 99
Michigan.....	13	73 77
Minnesota.....	12	89 96
Mississippi.....	1	3 36
Missouri.....	8	34 15
Montana.....	1	5 77
Nebraska.....	9	70 87
New Hampshire.....	9	61 13
New Jersey.....	2	22 17
New York.....	26	307 75
North Carolina.....	2	6 82
North Dakota.....	4	47 45
Ohio.....	15	113 06
Oregon.....	2	14 16
Pennsylvania.....	7	31 98
Rhode Island.....	6	111 09
South Dakota.....	9	101 86
Tennessee.....	2	3 00
Vermont.....	19	103 63
Virginia.....	1	3 85
Washington.....	18	145 45
Wisconsin.....	4	27 05
Wyoming.....	1	5 00

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BULLETINS.

THESE army bulletins containing the timely gifts of money from our soldier boys and girls are still coming in at headquarters.

FROM ARKANSAS.—Our Sunday-school enjoyed the exercise so much they want to repeat it. Please send us some leaflets that will help us here.

FROM INDIAN TERRITORY.—We send you \$7.47, the proceeds of the Boys' and Girls' Rally here in Vinita.

FROM IOWA.—Please find inclosed \$10. We have a class of twelve boys, from twelve to sixteen years of age, that gave \$5 of it.

FROM MASSACHUSETTS.—A little boy would like to join the Boys' and Girls' Army. Please send him a certificate.

FROM MASSACHUSETTS.—We send you \$14.65, and this amount more than makes our whole school members of your Army. We think if all schools in our country would do as well accordingly, the debt would be wiped out, and the Society might have a good working capital besides.

FROM MINNESOTA.—Our school is very small, but we send you our offering, which was very cheerfully given, with prayer that it may do some good.

FROM NEBRASKA.—We held the Rally last Sunday, and send you the money. My enrollment cards didn't go round, and two little boys cried because they could not have the cards and join the Army. I promised to send for more.

FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE.—We greatly enjoyed the Rally. We are a mission church, but we gladly send you \$7. We decorated our little church in a patriotic manner, and gave the Exercise, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. One very desirable feature of the Exercise is that it is so easily given by the Sunday-school, without extra trouble to superintendent and teachers. We hope that this delightful way of replenishing your treasury may prove effectual.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Please find inclosed \$5. All enjoyed the Rally exceedingly. The boys and girls came marching into the church with their banners, singing "I'm glad I'm in this army," and gave the different parts of the Exercise very nicely. We were especially pleased with the questions and answers about giving which the children learned to recite. We hope that some ideas have lodged in their heads never to be forgotten.

FROM TENNESSEE.—It rained very hard on our Rally Day, and there were very few present; but we collected \$1.25. Most of the children could pay only five cents each. Ours is a mission church, and supported by the A. M. A., so you may know the congregation are very poor; but we give our offering, with prayer for the prosperity of your Society.

COMPANY A.

COMPANY A. includes the force of the A. H. M. S. at the Bible House, New York City, and any visitors who drop a dime into the "Rally Mite-Box." This condition confers the honor of membership in the Army upon boys and girls of small or large growth.

One member of Company A. has been a real soldier in the United States Army. His name is a familiar one to every Home Missionary on the field. If you think he is the TREASURER, or one of the SECRETARIES, you are mistaken. This well-known soldier contributes the following for the Boys' and Girls' Army. It is simply the "bones of a talk" which you may cover with flesh for your next Rally Meeting. Perhaps your superintendent will help you:

"In union there is strength."

"Fathers, brothers, uncles, friends, fought to save this country. Boys and girls now have a chance to do their share in helping to save this country.

"The Sunday-school may have a company for boys—another for girls. One Captain—the superintendent; Lieutenants—teachers; Quartermaster—treasurer; Sergeant for each class. Instead of the cartridge-box—the collection-box.

"Advice and suggestions from old soldiers in the church.

"Singing—patriotic hymns and songs—'My country 'tis of thee,' 'Rally round the flag, boys,' 'Hold the Fort,' etc."

This is not all, but we have not space for more this time.

A HOSPITAL FOR WORN-OUT BOOKS.

WHEN I was in South Dakota, two months ago, I visited this hospital. It consists of one room in the house of a Sunday-school missionary superintendent. The walls of this room were lined with shelves. On one side these shelves were filled with the most dilapidated Sunday-school books you ever saw. They perfectly illustrated the old nursery rhyme—"all tattered and torn." The other side presented a very different appearance. The books were not fresh and new, but they were whole, and ready to be read with comfort. To my astonishment I learned that these had come to the hospital in as unfortunate a condition as those on the opposite side; but had been taken in hand by the missionary's wife and

sons, who are rare book-nurses, and were now healed, and awaiting their discharge.

"What becomes of them?" I asked.

"They are sent out on these prairies to Sunday-schools without libraries," said the missionary.

"And they are exchanged sometimes for a library that needs to come to the hospital," he continued.

"Would you like to have the Boys' and Girls' Army send you the Sunday-school books which they have read?"

"Oh, yes, indeed!" he exclaimed, "they would be a godsend to us."

"Will it do," I asked, "to send them badly worn?"

"If the pages are all at hand," he replied, "we can doctor a book so that it will do good service again; but, of course, we would not aggravate any one with missing pages."

And now, young soldiers, I pass on this message to you. Send nice books if you can; but if you have read a book to pieces, and have saved the pieces, remember there is the Book Hospital on the prairie. Should you send a package or box of books, please remember to prepay the freight, and address them to Rev. W. B. D. Gray, Yankton, South Dakota.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.



*This Certifies that _____ by the
payment of _____ is enrolled a soldier in the
Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army*

<i>David B. Lee</i> <i>Alex. McClapp</i>	Hon. Sec. Treas'r.	<i>Jos. Bourne Clark</i> <i>Wm. Kincaid</i> <i>Washington Chvate</i>
		Sec's.

THE ENROLLMENT CARD.

THIS card is your CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP in the Army. It is to be filled out, and kept by you as a reminder of the cause in which you have enlisted. *Please remember, these cards are not to be returned to us.* We hope the enrollment fee will be at least a dime; but even less will enlist a soldier. These cards will be sent free on application to the American Home Missionary Society, 34 Bible House, New York City.

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

IN the first ten months of the current (sixty-sixth) financial year the receipts at the treasury of the National Society have been as follows :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$13,542 54	\$17,280 43	\$30,822 97
May.....	24,052 85	3,223 02	27,275 87
June.....	15,608 82	6,907 54	22,516 36
July.....	13,919 50	13,852 15	27,771 65
August.....	8,197 04	10,551 90	18,748 94
September.....	16,819 54	15,352 35	32,171 89
October.....	19,110 91	19,778 26	38,889 17
November.....	21,628 21	13,276 38	34,904 59
December.....	31,447 24	12,827 39	44,274 63
January, 1892.....	35,603 46	15,518 13	51,121 59
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	\$199,930 11	\$128,567 55	\$328,497 66

The receipts in the corresponding months of 1890-'91 were:

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$20,306 48	\$3,723 85	\$24,030 33
May.....	14,969 79	2,066 64	17,036 43
June.....	11,845 88	2,163 11	14,008 99
July.....	25,145 31	17,236 06	42,381 37
August.....	14,235 36	5,642 46	19,877 82
September.....	16,241 59	1,664 53	17,906 12
October.....	13,877 18	24,891 58	38,768 76
November.....	10,685 13	2,084 57	12,769 70
December.....	36,779 25	26,540 00	63,319 25
January, 1891.....	42,022 84	17,868 02	59,890 83
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	\$206,108 78	\$103,880 82	\$309,989 60

These figures show a gain over the previous month of \$6,846.96—contributions \$4,156.22, legacies \$2,690.74. In the ten months of the fiscal year, with six days of February, there has been a loss in contributions of \$5,319.17 and a gain in legacies of \$26,433.73—a total gain of \$21,114.56. The essentially unchanged financial condition of the Society has led to the issue of the following appeal by the Executive Committee, to which we beg the most earnest attention of all our readers.

THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY TO ITS FRIENDS.

THE Executive Committee of the American Home Missionary Society are charged by the churches with the management of a vast home missionary work, penetrating into forty-six (46) States and Territories, and embracing on its beneficiary list more than one half of our five thousand Congregational churches. In the direction of this immense enterprise, they find themselves confronted with an issue so critical and threatening, that they feel compelled to lay it at once before the churches whose servants they are.

For three years past the Society has been forbidden by the condition of the treasury, to enlarge the volume of its work. A considerable enlargement made four years ago under extraordinary pressure from the field has been the occasion of not a little embarrassment. The missionary expenditures, however, for the past three years have been practically unchanged. During the same period new States and Territories have been created, millions have been added to our population, and splendid opportunities for Christian work and conquest have presented themselves only to be neglected or reluctantly passed by.

Meanwhile, under this enforced financial restriction, the unsatisfied demands of our field have grown to enormous proportions. Two years ago, the careful estimates of our agents at the front showed a margin of needs, beyond our power to grant, of \$70,000. Last year this margin was swelled to \$100,000, which we could not touch. Estimates for the year 1892-'93 just received indicate a demand of \$120,000 beyond the expenditures of the current year. These are all *minimum* estimates, and represent not what might possibly be done, if we had the money, but only the natural, imperative demands of the newer States for the Pilgrim faith and polity. The Committee stand appalled before these growing appeals which they find so hard to deny yet have no power to grant.

But the most serious issue before the Committee to-day is the question, not of possible advance, but whether the Society will be able to maintain its work, even at the present inadequate figure. Less than three months of the fiscal year remain, and in these less than ninety days we must receive at least \$225,000 or close the year with another debt, to be added to the debt of \$50,000, that still rests upon the work of the previous year. The strictest economy consistent with efficiency has been applied to the expenditures of the year until we know not where now to put the knife. Yet a bank loan of \$75,000, contracted by order of the Society for the prompt payment of its missionaries, remains to be paid, in addition to current expenses for the balance of the year.

In the midst of these financial perplexities the time comes round to lay out the work of the new year, beginning April 1, 1892. What

shall the Committee apportion to its missionary fields? In facing this serious problem, two alternatives present themselves: either,

1. Cut off \$50,000 of the Society's work; or,
2. Appeal to the churches to maintain their work at its present volume by increased contributions.

Do the churches measure the full calamity of this threatened retrenchment? It means the closing up of many church doors in destitute communities. It means dismissing faithful and successful missionaries, with short notice, and involving their families in peculiar distress. It means the uprooting and ruin of religious enterprises which have cost much toil and money to bring to their present hopeful condition. It means discouragement and despair to thousands of our brother Christians in remote parts of the land, and it means a blight upon our home missionary work that years of effort will not remove.

Before taking the grave responsibility of such a course, we can do no less than send out our cry to every Congregational Christian in America, to prevent this direful necessity by an instant and ample response to the exigencies of the Society.

We appeal to PASTORS. They are the natural leaders of the people, and by the use of the material that will be gladly furnished from the rooms of the Society, they can, if they will, kindle a new zeal for Home Missions in every church of the land.

We appeal to SUNDAY-SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS. A good beginning has been made toward the enlistment of the children in the "Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army." But less than one half our schools are as yet in line. Let each Superintendent take up the effort, and push it in his own school, until the Army is full—*six hundred thousand strong*.

We appeal to MEN AND WOMEN OF WEALTH, who have the power of large giving. The cause of Home Missions is continental. It is more: We save America to save the world. Surely, the gift of thousands at once for such a cause, would be a wise and far-reaching investment.

We appeal especially to the CHURCHES OF THE AUXILIARY STATES. By our auxiliary relations with these States, their work is "an integral part of the national work," and as such we would cherish it. Not by one dollar would we rob any State of the income it needs for its own work. But the cause of national Home Missions ought to be as dear to these churches as any other branch of our sevenfold missionary work. Their love and gifts should bless it, and so they may under the rules and terms of auxiliaryship. These terms require the transmission of all surplus funds from the auxiliary society to the National Treasury. We earnestly appeal, therefore, to the churches of the Auxiliary States, as they love, and would help their brethren of the regions beyond, to swell the sur-

plus of the State Society until it shall overflow in generous streams into the National Treasury.

The time is short, the need is urgent. The welfare of many souls is at stake. Great interests, patriotic and Christian, are involved in your response. Shall the work of the Home Missionary Society, in this most growing and hopeful decade of its history, be cut down to the level of its present receipts, or shall the receipts of the Society be made commensurate with the providential demands of the work?

WM. IVES WASHBURN, <i>Chairman</i> ,	HERBERT M. DIXON,
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WM. M. TAYLOR,	G. HENRY WHITCOMB,
CHARLES H. PARSONS,	CHAS. H. RICHARDS,
JAMES G. ROBERTS,	GEORGE P. STOCKWELL,
SAMUEL H. VIRGIN,	ROBERT J. KENT,
JOSEPH WM. RICE,	ASA A. SPEAR, <i>Recording Secretary</i> ,

Executive Committee of the A. H. M. S.

BIBLE HOUSE, NEW YORK, January 15, 1892.

A MONTH OF SELF-DENIAL.—You will find in “The Advance,” February 4, an appeal to the WOMEN of our 5,000 Congregational churches to observe a month of self-denial for the help of the American Home Missionary Society during the present emergency. This call should enlist the hearty co-operation of every woman who cares for the evangelization of her own land. “A true zeal for missions,” says one, “will impel you to do something or do without something for Jesus’ sake.” Christian sister, what will you do, and do without, ONE MONTH, to place an EXTRA OFFERING in the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society before the close of its financial year, March 31, 1892.

THE SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Executive Committee have accepted the very cordial invitation of the First Church, in Washington, D. C., to hold the next anniversary of the Society with that church, in that city, May 24, 25, and 26. Full particulars of railroad fares and hotel and boarding house accommodation will be published in the future.

Washington is an attractive city, with ample facilities for such a meeting. It is as accessible to the West as Saratoga, and not inconvenient to New England. It is the doorway to the New South, which has become of late years a most attractive and fruitful field for the Society’s work. In every respect Washington seems suited for a large Home Missionary gathering. Let the friends of Home Missions make their plans to be there!

Appointments in January, 1892.

Not in commission last year.

Ball, Marcellus A., Lakeport, So. Dak.
 Beadenkoff, Thomas M., Canton, Md.
 Beltel, Julius H., Trenton and Palisade, Neb.
 Brande, Alfred G., Pierce, Neb.
 Butler, Elmer W., Bloomer, No. Wis.
 Clarke, George B., Monroe, Neb.
 Dickey, Fred M., Carthage and Hanchett, So. Dak.
 Gardner, Isaac J., Crawford, Neb.
 Harlow, Reuben W., Rose Creek and Taopi, Minn.
 Henderson, Thomas H., Willamina, Or.
 Herrick, Edward P., Tampa, Fla.
 Hicks, George C., Avoca and Berlin, Neb.
 Kimball, Jeremiah, Wessington Springs, So. Dak.
 Larson, Karl F., St. Joseph, Mo.
 Mooney, Warren, Valley Springs, So. Dak.
 Nash, Fred W., Ketchum, Idaho.
 Nelson, Andrew P., Mankato and Kasota, Minn.

Re-commissioned.

Bartlett, Dana W., Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Bates, John M., Armour, So. Dak.
 Bingham, Charles M., Daytona, Fla.
 Bjorklund, John E., Tacoma, Wash.
 Bocek, Miss Fannie, St. Paul, Minn.
 Brintnall, Lorin W., Steilacoom and Lake View, Wash.
 Brown, Daniel M., Indianapolis, Ind.
 Carter, Benjamin H., Crest View, Fla.
 Clark, James B., Eagle Harbor, Wash.
 Conrad, George A., Omaha, Neb.
 Cory, Empson, Great Falls, Mon.
 Davis, David L., Edwardsdale, Penn.
 Doty, Micajah, Glenview, So. Dak.
 Emerson, Frederick C., Madison, Minn.
 Emmerson, Nicholas, Dial, Mt. Ayer, Ash Rock, and New Harmony, Kan.
 Evans, David E., Coal Creek, Colo.
 Fellows, Charles B., Maple Creek, Neb.
 Grob, Gottfried, Inland and Hastings, Neb.
 Hadden, Jacob W., Springview and Spencer, Neb.

Haresnape, William, Gaylord and Twelve Mile, Kan.
 Herr, Horace D., Kansas City, Kan.
 Hulett, James A., Campbell and Tintah, Minn.
 Isakson, Andrew J., Warren and Sheffield, Penn.
 Jones, Charles A., Kane, Penn.
 Jones, Richard M., Oswego and Beaver Creek, Or.
 Kaufman, William H., Milbank, So. Dak.
 Kennedy, Samuel C., Sanford, Fla.
 Lawson, Francis, Riverton, Neb.
 Lich, John, Lincoln, Neb.
 Lyman, A. T., Elk Point, So. Dak.
 Mannhardt, E., Crete, Neb.
 Martin, C. V., Pittsburg, Kan.
 Martin, Edwin, Crested Butte, Colo.
 Martin, Joel, Evangelist in Mich.
 Moffatt, T. Clemence, Douglass, Kan.
 Nelson, Frank, General Miss'y among the Swedes in N. Y.
 Paske, William J., Omaha, Neb.
 Pearson, Samuel, West Point, Neb.
 Pollard, Samuel W., Fairmount, Ind.
 Pratt, D. Butler, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Resner, A. K., Davenport, Iowa.
 Ricker, Albert E., Alma, Neb.
 Ritcaie, George, Salt Lake City and vicinity, Utah.
 Root, E. T., Baltimore, Md.
 Shepard, Herman T., Black Diamond and Franklin, Wash.
 Smith, John F., Denver, Colo.
 Smith, Zwinglie H., Douglass, Wyo.
 Staaf, Gustav, Sweden, Ohio.
 Stanton, James, Eaton, Colo.
 Swin, John Q., Stafford and Plevna, Kan.
 Trueblood, Jasper, Frankfort and Tinton, So. Dak.
 Washburn, William S., Alcester and Beresford, So. Dak.
 Wells, James W., West Ferndale, Enterprise, Mt. View, and Marietta, Wash.
 Wilson, Henry, Canton, So. Dak.
 Wood, Edwin A., Pelican Rapids, Minn.
 Woodruff, Pearl G., Bonifay, Fla.
 Young, John H., Braddock, Penn.

Receipts in January, 1892.

For account of receipts by STATE AUXILIARY SOCIETIES, see pp. 544-549.

MAINE—\$98 43.

Received by J. L. Crosby, Treas. Maine Miss. Soc.	
Bangor, Hammond Street.....	\$2 00
Bath, Central Ch., by F. S. Partridge.....	26 63
Dover and Foxcroft, S. S., by L. P. Evans.....	10 33
East Thorndike, Miss'y concert, by H. M. Small.....	3 85
Freeport, In part, by Rev. W. F. Stowe	5 00
Howell, Ladies' Cent Soc., by Miss M. C. Dole.....	11 00
Limington, S. S., by L. J. Strout.....	5 03
North Yarmouth, First, S. S., by D. H. Cole.....	3 15
Portland, Williston Ch., add'l, by G. F. Thurston.....	1 00
South Berwick, Two members of Cong. Ch.....	10 00
Westbrook, Second, by H. P. Murch, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. S.....	8 00
Miss Hull's S. S. class, by E. E. Bacon	2 50

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$564.70.

Received by Hon. L. D. Stevens, Treas. N. H. H. M. Soc.:	
Candia.....	\$10 00
Great Falls, First.....	20 00
Greenville.....	7 00
Lebanon.....	50 00
	<hr/> \$97 00
Bristol, Happy Miss. Workers, by Jessie Alexander.....	20 00
Campton, S. S., Rally, by J. M. Blaisdell.....	1 40
Candia, S. S., Rally, by Dea. J. P. French.....	7 60
Center Ossipee, Ch., \$3.65; S. S., Rally, \$6.45, by Rev. N. W. Grover.....	15 10
Concord, Mrs. Benj. P. Stone.....	10 00
East Derry, by G. Morrison.....	11 00
Exeter, Second Ch.....	50 00
Farmington, by I. Hayes.....	4 00
Hanover, Donation from Estate of Andrew Moody, by E. R. Ruggles, Trustee.....	50 00

Hazen's Junction, Mrs. E. F. McKelth,	\$5; H., \$10, by E. F. Hazen.....	\$15 00
Hillshoro Bridge, Mrs. C. M. Burnham.	J. W. J.....	50 00 100 10
Keene, A Friend.....	Primary Dept. of Second S. S., by C. E. Whitcomb, special.....	15 00 5 00
Lyne, S. S., by D. A. Grant.....	Nelson, S. S., Rally, by Rev. M. F. Hardy.....	8 00 5 00
Newmarket, Thomas H. Wiswall.....	North Conway, Ch., \$6.24; S. S., Rally, \$14.76, by Rev. R. Henry Davis.....	10 00 21 00
North Hampton, Ch., \$20; "E. G." special, \$10; "A. P. G." \$5, special, by Edward M. Smith.....	Orford, John Pratt.....	35 00 10 00
Pittsfield, by M. H. Nutter.....	Portsmouth, Mrs. Marcellus Bufford, by John S. Rand.....	17 14 10 00
Temple, S. S., by O. J. Fisk.....		7 46

VERMONT—\$1,493.05; of which Legacy, \$1,000.00.

Received by T. M. Howard,	Treas. Vt. Dom. Miss. Soc.: Bennington, Second, S. S., \$30 40	
Brattleboro, S. S., by N. N. Thompson.....	West Dorset, S. S.,.....	50 00 1 25
		51 65
Barnet, S. S., by A. S. Laughlin.....	Burlington, College Street Ch., bal., by G. G. Benedict.....	13 33 37 07
Y. P. S. C. E., First, by B. L. Hawes.	Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by May P. Hammond.....	12 00 15 50
Castleton, Russell M. Wright.....	Derby Line, Ladies' Mission Circle, by Mrs. G. H. Dunlap.....	10 00 10 00
A Friend.....	A Friend.....	10 00 3 75
Milton, by C. H. Jackson.....	S. S., Rally, by F. C. Ladd.....	24 34 10 00
Pittsford, Mrs. M. P. Humphrey.....	St. Johnsbury, North Ch., by W. C. Tyler.....	129 26
Springfield, Legacy of Amasa Woolson, by B. F. Aldrich, Ex.....	By B. F. Aldrich, to const. Wm. D. Woolson a L. M.....	1,000 00 117 03
Wallingford, Thank-offering, Mrs. C. M. Townsend.....	West Glover, S. S., by Mrs. J. Cameron	1 00 5 00
Weston, S. S., by E. C. Peabody.....		3 12

MASSACHUSETTS—\$25,035.60; of which Legacies, \$6,534.14.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	By request of donors, of which \$318.79 for Salary Fund.....	13,500 00 \$1,345 76
Woman's H. M. Assoc.....	West Hartford, Vt.....	83 55 4 00
Castine, Me., S. S., Rally.....		5 00
		1,438 31
Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.: For Salary Fund.....	East Hampton, Payson Ch. Ladies' Benev. Soc., to const. Mrs. E. S. Lyman a L. M.....	200 00 50 00
Amherst, First, by W. Hamlin.....	A Friend.....	205 00 3 00
Boston, Remainder of Legacy of Justin S. Ambrose, by A. S. Lovett, Ex.....	Mrs. W. E. M.....	4,000 00 25 00
Margaret J. Cushman.....	Boston Highlands, Mrs. C. L. Goodell, for Salary Fund.....	2 00 10 00
Boxford, "L. R. A.".....		16 00

Brockton, First, S. S., in full, by R. Cook.....	Chicopee, by N. W. Chapin.....	\$4 80 10 00
[Concord.—In part of the February edition the offering of the Trinitarian S. S. for the Rally was credited as 50c. instead of \$6.50, the actual collection.]		
Cummington, by W. W. Mitchell.....	Dalton, Mrs. L. F. Crane.....	9 25 250 00
Dorchester, Second Ch., by Miss E. Tolman.....	Second, Mrs. William Wales, by Miss E. Tolman.....	177 96 20 00
Easthampton, S. S. class, Memorial for Miss S. M. Hamam, by M. L. Clark.....	Fitchburg, Mrs. E. M. Dickinson.....	7 85 10 00
"C. S. T.".....	Goshen, Miss H. M. Putney.....	25 00 50
Great Barrington, Rev. T. A. Hazen.....	Haverhill, Miss Ella E. Welch, deceased, \$6; Friends, \$20, by A. E. Welch.....	10 00 85 00
Eleanor E. Welch, deceased, by Harriet F. Welch.....	Holliston, On account of Legacy of George Batchelder, by J. M. Batchelder.....	50 00 34 14
Housatonic, S. S., by Miss A. R. Turner	Lowell, Kirk Street Ch., by A. L. Thompson.....	36 77 650 28
Maria Cottle.....	Marion, A Friend.....	40 10 00
Marlboro, J. W. Brigham.....	Massachusetts, W. L.....	7 00 200 00
Millford, Mrs. W. S. Wood.....	Mill River, Thank-offering, Rev. S. R. Butler.....	2 00 44 20
Millbury, R. T. Buck, special.....	Monson, Mrs. C. W. Holmes, \$50; Mrs. L. L. Foster, \$5.....	200 00 55 00
Mrs. Fanny Bradford.....	Mrs. L. B. Peck, a Thank-offering.....	10 00 15 00
New Braintree, Mrs. H. M. Tufts, special.....	Newburyport, North Ch., S. S., Rally, by G. W. Kimball.....	15 00 9 17
Newburyport, North Ch., S. S., Rally, to const. Rev. Albert Wellman Hitchcock and Mrs. Margarette M. Hitchcock L. Ms.....	Northampton, Mrs. C. H. L., for Salary Fund.....	100 00 5 00
A Friend.....	Northfield, Mrs. A. M. D. Alexander..	25 00 5 00
North Hatfield, S. S., by A. E. Marsh..	Norton, Trin. Ch., by S. H. Cobb.....	18 00 7 55
Quincy, A friend of missions.....	Reading, M. R. T.....	2 00 25 00
Rehoboth, by F. A. Bliss.....	Rochester, Ch., \$14; S. S., \$6, by G. B. Haskell.....	1 00 20 00
Shelburne, by Z. D. Bardwell, to const. Rev. Austin Dodge a L. M.....	South Framingham, by Rev. W. G. Pufferfoot.....	50 00 2 00
South Hadley, Dea. L. H. Porter, \$2; In memorial of Mrs. Phebe F. Porter, \$50, to const. Miss Marian Ann Porter a L. M., by Rev. N. I. Jones..	Spencer, by F. E. Dunton.....	70 00 621 71
Sutton, Legacy of Mrs. Mary B. Severy, by B. F. Batcheller.....	Taunton, Friends of missions.....	500 00 3 00
Richard D. Wetherell, Rally.....	Uxbridge, Evan. Cong. Ch., by W. W. Thayer.....	16 100 00
Warwick, S. S., by E. C. Chase.....	Westhampton, S. S., Rally, by C. N. Loud.....	7 00 14 00
Westboro, Mary F. Andrews.....	M. F. A.....	40 1 00

West Brookfield, Y. P. S. C. E., by N. E. Foster.....	\$10 00	Asylum Hill Ch., A Friend, by C. E. Thompson.....	\$10 00
Whitman, Legacy of Caroline H. Whitman, by W. R. Vining, Ex.....	2,000 00	S. S., by E. H. Tucker.....	70 63
Worcester, Salem Street Ch., by E. Tucker.....	38 15	Mary A. Bushnell.....	100 00
Mrs. D. B. Goddard.....	1 00	Ivoryton, S. S., Rally, by A. C. Cheney	5 25
Mrs. A. H. Wilder, by E. L. Barnard	10 00	Jewett City, Second, by A. G. Brewster, Jr.....	33 54
RHODE ISLAND—\$1,438.66.		Kensington, Ch., \$50, of which to const. H. Dunham a L. M., and \$1, special, for Whitman College, by R. K. Upson.....	51 00
Bristol, First Cong. S. S., by P. Skinner, Jr.....	49 25	Lebanon, Legacy of Charles H. Thomas, by Erastus S. Geer, Ex.....	2,000 00
East Providence, A Friend, by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.....	2 00	First, Ch., S. S., Rally, by C. H. Standish.....	5 35
Newport, United Ch., by E. P. Allan.....	26 37	Ledyard, Ch., by Rev. John Avery.....	23 48
Family Mite Boxes, for Salary Fund, by G. A. Pritchard.....	6 00	Newell Soc., by F. I. Gray.....	3 00
Pawtucket, by E. R. Bullock.....	112 01	Mansfield, Eliza Barrows.....	5 60
S. S., Rally, by W. McGregor.....	15 00	Meriden, Center Ch., by Miss M. A. Wood.....	25 00
Providence, Union Ch., by C. H. Leonard, M. D.....	1,213 63	S. S. class. First Ch., by W. E. Rice	5 00
Plymouth, S. S., by F. D. Thompson	9 46	Middle Haddam, Young People, \$10.12; Ch., \$1.68, by Rev. J. W. Moulton.....	12 00
Mrs. D. H. Leonard.....	5 60	Milford, Plymouth, S. S., by S. Hawkins.....	15 74
CONNECTICUT—\$11,626.96; of which Legacies, \$7,000.00.		Mystic, by A. F. Young.....	19 00
Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.....	1,738 20	New Haven, Mrs. M. H. Townsend.....	25 00
Of which, \$3 for Salary Fund.....	1,738 20	Mrs. C. Avery.....	3 50
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.....	\$25 00	New London, First, by H. C. Learned	69 87
Enfield, Aux. for Salary Fund.....	\$25 00	New Milford, Y. P. S. C. E., "Christian Endeavor Day-offering," by Rev. F. A. Johnson.....	13 50
Fair Haven, Second, by Mrs. Fannie I. Corbin, for Salary Fund.....	12 50	New Preston, Rev. H. Upson.....	5 00
Hartford, First, Ch., Jr. Aux., by Miss Clara M. Cooley, for Salary Fund.....	25 00	Newtown, by R. D. Smith.....	5 00
First Ch. Aux., by Mrs. S. M. Hotchkiss, special.....	10 00	Norfolk, A Friend.....	20 00
First Ch., Junior Aux., by Mrs. G. L. Walker, special.....	35 00	Christmas-offering, from A Friend.....	5 00
New Haven, Ladies' Aid Soc. of United Ch., by Miss J. E. Ufford, for Salary Fund.....	332 03	Northfield, by H. C. Peck, with previous don., to const. Mrs. H. Jacobs a L. M.....	30 00
Mrs. H. A. Gray, for Debt.....	6 00	North Madison, S. S., Rally, by M. H. Munger.....	5 00
West Chester, Soc. of Christian Bees, by Mrs. W. P. Adams, for Salary Fund.....	2 00	Norwalk, First, by E. L. Boyer.....	95 40
	447 53	Norwich, Second, by A. D. Allen.....	199 30
Bethel, Ch., \$221.14; New Year's Gift, \$5, by W. Beard.....	226 14	Old Lyme, First, by W. F. Coult.....	59 61
Bridgeport, S. S., Rally, by Rev. G. F. Prentiss.....	10 60	Orange, by S. D. Woodruff.....	11 60
Mrs. Edward Sterling.....	4 00	Oxford, Cong. Ch., A. I. H.....	5 00
Canterbury, Second, by A. C. Greene.....	3 00	Pomfret, First, by Mrs. C. C. Williams	189 57
Connecticut, A Thank-offering.....	10 00	Rockville, Legacy of George Maxwell, by F. T. Maxwell, for the Exrs.....	5,000 00
Cornwall, First, by J. E. Calhoun.....	89 50	Rocky Hill, by W. G. Robbins.....	12 31
Danielsonville, Miss Emily Danielson, to const. herself a L. M.....	50 00	Salisbury, by T. F. Dexter.....	13 12
Deep River, S. S., by L. Kellogg.....	6 57	Cong. Ch., Miss Eliza Beach, by Rev. J. C. Goddard.....	2 00
East Hampton, Philo Bevin.....	25 00	M. M. Blake, \$2; Home class, \$7.17, by Rev. J. C. Goddard.....	9 17
East Hartford, First, S. S., by W. S. Burnham.....	21 63	Saybrook, Mrs. L. B. Ward.....	50 00
First, by E. A. Williams.....	100 00	South Windsor, by R. Grout.....	66 18
East Morris, A Friend.....	7 00	Terryville, by W. H. Scott.....	4 37
East Windsor, First, by Rev. C. M. Geer.....	5 00	Mrs. L. Gridley.....	10 00
Ellington, Rev. W. T. Hutchins, Sweet Pea Fund.....	50 00	Thompson, S. S., Rally, by W. C. Mills	3 83
Fair Haven, Second, by Lucius Rowe, to const. Dea. J. O. Clogston a L. M.....	53 97	Unionville, S. S., Rally, by C. L. Dunham.....	13 10
Farmington, First Ch., A Friend, to const. Miss Julia Beckwith a L. M., by R. H. Gay.....	100 00	West Hartford, Income from Estate of Abigail P. Talcott, by E. A. Whiting, Trustee.....	64 50
Greenwich, S. S., Rally, by T. A. Mead	31 21	Windsor, First, by S. H. Barber	69 25
Steep Hollow, S. S., Rally.....	3 48	Ch., \$100; S. S., \$14.63, by S. H. Barber.....	114 63
[Erroneously acknowledged in February.]		Y. P. S. C. E., by W. J. Gurney.....	13 00
Hartford, Fourth Ch., to const. Mrs. F. Smith a L. M., by H. M. Foster.....	60 56	Woodbridge, Ch., \$3; S. S., Rally, \$6, by R. C. Newton.....	15 00
		NEW YORK—\$1,268.90.	
		Received by Rev. E. Curtis:	
		Bristol.....	\$6 74
		Center Lisle.....	5 00
		Greene.....	10 00
			21 74
		Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, Treas.....	\$20 00
		Oswego, Ladies' Aux.....	
		Parishville, Ch., of which from Mrs. J. Powell, \$1; Mrs. D.	

Daggett, 40c.; Miss M. J. Armstrong, 40c.; V. Kirk, 50c.; G. Shaw, 25c.; A Friend, 25c.	\$4 80
Schenectady, Ladies' Miss. Union, of which, \$20, special, for Neb., and \$18, for Okla. home.	38 00
Walton, Ladies' Aux.	10 00
	\$72 80
Albany, Hon. W. L. Learned.	35 00
Angola, Addie H. Ames.	1 00
Binghamton, First, by H. M. Beecher.	250 83
Mrs. J. L. Mercereau.	10 00
Black Creek, by Rev. G. Evans.	19 00
Brooklyn, Beecher Memorial, by C. W. Conner.	10 00
South Ch., by E. D. Ford.	10 00
Plymouth Ch., by R. H. Bosworth.	109 55
Nazarene Ch., by Rev. A. J. Henry.	3 00
Lucy H. Everest, \$10; Mrs. Hattie E. Haight, \$5.	15 00
Churchville, S. S., Rally, by E. N. Furman.	14 00
Eldred and Barryville, by Rev. E. A. Smith.	14 00
Flushing, "L."	5 00
Friendship, S. S., Rally, by Grace Hart.	5 00
Hamilton, R. Woodruff.	1 00
Lockport, F. F. Cong., by E. Simmons.	10 00
Napoli, S. S., by A. Bliss.	4 44
New York City, Mt. Hope Ch., Miss Bailey's S. S. class, by Rev. E. Bonfills.	2 00
Morrisania, Ch., by E. D. Clark.	17 71
Sloam Welsh Ch., by E. D. Evans.	12 55
Mrs. E. G. Thompson, \$5; Mrs. J. M. Fiske, \$15; "W. C. C.," \$5; A Friend of Missions, \$5; Mrs. Caroline L. Smith, \$20.	95 00
Northville, by J. H. Downs.	41 15
North Walton, Union Miss. Soc., by W. S. Webb.	20 25
Norwich, Mrs. R. A. Barber.	10 00
Orient Point, S. S., in full, to const. R. W. Tutthill.	25 00
W. Tutthill, L. M., by W. L. Tutthill.	136 12
Oswego, First, by W. B. Couch.	
Ferry Center, Ch., \$29.50; S. S., Rally, \$9.50, by F. J. Cadwell.	39 00
Phoenix, by J. I. Van Doren.	50 00
Rock Glen, by Rev. J. B. Felt.	4 00
Rockaway Beach, S. S., by Rev. C. W. Plack.	18 42
Sanborn, Abigail Peck.	15 00
Saratoga, Mrs. E. D. Tappan.	1 00
Saugerties, by Rev. J. H. La Grange.	9 30
Sidney, First, by M. C. Johnston.	23 00
Syracuse, Plymouth Ch., by W. Ogden.	13 04
Triangle, by Rev. H. L. Hubbard.	5 00
West Brook, by W. L. McClenon.	3 00
West Groton, by Rev. J. Cunningham.	15 00
Willsborough, by Rev. J. J. Wolf.	27 00
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Bound Brook, by Rev. W. W. Jordan.	31 20
Coytesville, by R. W. Morrison.	3 50
Guttenberg, by Rev. R. J. Buttinghauser.	4 08
Jersey City, Waverly Ch., by Rev. N. M. Sherwood.	5 28
New Jersey, A Friend.	50 00
Orange, "An old friend."	5 00
Paterson, Auburn Street, S. S., by C. C. Hopper.	14 61
Richland, by Rev. D. I. Jones.	5 00
Upper Montclair, Christian Union, S. S., by F. W. Dorman.	21 75
Westfield, A Friend, by Rev. C. H. Patton.	100 00
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. T. W. Jones, Treas.	
Braddock.	4 00
Woman's H. M. Union, of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.	
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Audenried, Welsh Ch., by W. Hughes.	6 00
Blossburg, Second, by Rev. J. T. Matthews.	7 00
Guy's Mills, Mrs. F. M. Guy.	2 60
Kingston, Welsh Ch., by M. D. Rosser.	10 00
Nanticoke, Bethel Ch., \$3.69; S. S., Rally, \$5.01, by Rev. J. H. Burnett.	8 76
Ridgeway, by Rev. A. Sjoberg.	2 63
Serauton, Plymouth Ch., by B. E. Evans.	35 00
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S. S., Rally, by H. A. Jones.	12 50
West Bangor, by Rev. J. Cadwalader.	2 50
Wikes Barre, Puritan Ch., by J. Bailey.	5 34
MARYLAND—\$500.00.	
Frederick City, A Friend.	500 00
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$25.00.	
Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.	
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VIRGINIA—\$1.40.	
Snowville, Nancy M. Richardson.	1 40
WEST VIRGINIA—\$21.00.	
Huntington, by Rev. J. L. Collier.	21 00
NORTH CAROLINA—\$5.16.	
Troy, S. S., Rally, by C. B. Green.	1 00
Tryon, by Rev. G. S. Pope.	4 16
GEORGIA—\$30.50.	
Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. W. L. Jones.	9 00
East Rome, by Rev. F. J. Estes.	1 30
Howells Mills and Chamblee, by Rev. H. E. Newton.	6 70
Pleasant Hill and Harmony Grove, by Rev. W. F. Brewer.	3 50
Wier, by Rev. J. Spriggs.	10 00
ALABAMA—\$17.55.	
Clanton, Verbena, South Calera, Mt. Spring, and Union Point, by Rev. A. C. Wells.	5 00
Equality and Tallassee, by Rev. A. J. McCain.	9 05
Mt. Olive, by Rev. J. E. Kimbell.	2 50
Wells Chapel, by Rev. W. A. Wells.	1 00
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Little Rock, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. I. T. Hull.	7 50
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Winter Park, Aux., special.	5 50
Interlachen, by Rev. W. D. Brown.	48 30
Jake's Bayou, by Rev. L. Miller.	8 20
Sanford, S. S., by L. C. Edgar.	4 61
Tampa, J. H. Seymour.	10 00
Waldo, A Friend.	2 00
TEXAS—\$35.80.	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Treas.	
Denison.	8 80
Denison, First, by Rev. L. W. Hicks.	10 00
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Doaksville and Cedar Bluff, by Rev. A. Gross.	3 00

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Clayton..... 2 15
Folsom..... 1 05
8 20
Deming, by Rev. S. C. Wright..... 4 00

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Jellico, S. S., Rally, by T. E. B. Siles.. 1 75

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D.D.:
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Austinburgh, Rev. M. B. Morris,
bal., to const. Granville
W. Mooney a L. M..... 4 00
Brookfield, English, by A. W.
McIntosh..... 8 25
Cleveland, Madison Avenue... 9 86
Cuyahoga Falls, S. S., by J. L.
Longshore..... 16 95
North Kingsville, Rev. E. J.
Cummings..... 5 00
Oberlin, Rev. S. B. Beard, special..... 2 50
Palmyra, by Rev. I. C. Hughes
Steubenville, by Mrs. Jesse
Campbell, of which special,
\$4.50..... 8 75
Toledo, Washington Street, by
A. U. Young..... 20 00
88 14

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Cleveland, First..... \$18 50
Franklin, for Salary Fund..... 7 20
Hudson, for Salary Fund..... 8 00
Lodi, for Salary Fund..... 10 00
Mansfield, Mayflower Ch., for
Salary Fund..... 5 00
Marietta, Mrs. N. J. Morrison,
in memoriam..... 5 00
Springfield, First, for Salary
Fund..... 10 00
First, S. S., Primary Dept. for
Salary Fund..... 2 00

Atwater, by H. E. Brush..... 25 00
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Chagrin Falls, First, by J. J. Davis... 25 04
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Silliman..... 3 00
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Windham, W. A. Perkins..... 10 00
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Westfield, Rev. L. White and
wife..... 2 00
10 50
Beachwood, Central, Briles and Mauch-
port, by Rev. S. A. Mounts..... 4 50
Ft. Wayne, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. J.
S. Ainslie..... 60 00
Hammond, C. E. Vanzant..... 1 00
Hobart, by Rev. D. W. Andrews..... 7 50
Orland and Lake Gage, Orland Ch.,
\$30.50; in part, Mrs. Orlando Wilder,
\$50, to const. Miss T. Whitney a L. M. 80 50
Westchester and Camden, by Rev. E.
L. Brooks..... 2 50

ILLINOIS—\$1,058.03: of which Legacies,
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Alton, Charles Phinney..... 25 00
Chicago, Mary L. Smallwood..... 10 00
Delavan, R. Houghton..... 15 00
Galva, On account of Legacy of J. F.
Hyde, by M. M. Ford, for B. S.
Eldridge, Ex..... 947 42
Lacon, Mrs. W. E. Cook..... 20 00
Payson, Income from Estate of Mrs.
Mary A. P. Robbins, by Daniel E.
Robbins..... 22 50
Spring Valley, S. S., Rally, by L. C.
Blachly..... 1 36
Park Ridge, S. S., Rally, by R. Z. Cade. 11 75
Sycamore, Mrs. E. Wood..... 5 00

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A.
E. Cook, Treas.:
Amity..... \$2 20
Hannibal..... 11 54
Sen. Y. P. S. C. E..... 94
Jr. Y. P. S. C. E..... 1 02
Kansas City, Plymouth Ch..... 6 00
Clyde Ch..... 9 00
Pierce City..... 13 00
Riverdale..... 6 00
St. Joseph, Tabernacle Ch..... 7 53
St. Louis, Compton Hill Ch..... 10 00
Compton Hill S. S., Rally..... 6 46
Pilgrim Ch., of which \$12, for
Salary Fund..... 77 70
151 19

Garden Grove, by Rev. A. Connet..... 50
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Johnson..... 11 26
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L. Kloss..... 1 00
Kidder, by Rev. A. L. Gridley..... 12 00
La Grange, by Rev. W. Stock..... 1 00
New Cambria, by Rev. A. W. Wiggins. 6 00
Welsh Ch., S. S., Rally, by W. T.
Jones..... 5 00
Republic, First, by R. Hathaway..... 10 00
First Ch., S. S., of which Rally, \$3.55,
by C. S. Howell..... 6 03
St. Joseph, Y. P. S. C. E., Tabernacle
Ch., by Rev. F. B. Doe..... 3 72

St. Louis, First, by F. T. Knox, M.D.	\$177 49
by G. L. Day	312 60
People's Tabernacle, S. S., by Rev. J. D. Nutting	6 85
Springfield, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. W. H. Williams	1 50
S. S., by Rev. J. F. Graf	7 45
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Alamo	\$13 00
Almira	2 32
Batawin	3 61
Bay City	45 90
Calumet, S. S., for North Star Mission	14 39
Clinton, \$11; S. S., \$10	21 00
Comstock, A Friend	235 00
Cooper	47 00
Covert	15 75
Detroit, Woodward Ave.	102 54
Douglas, Ch., \$13; Mrs. Daniel Gerber, \$5	18 00
Hancock, S. S., Christmas Gift, in part, special	23 50
Hartford	10 11
Hopkins, First	2 10
Hopkins Station	13 80
Lake Linden	54 30
Ludington, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Stray, to const. B. K. Burrill	
L. M.	50 00
Manistee	16 49
Mattison	16 39
Ohvet	36 40
Pontiac	35 00
Port Huron, "Earnest Workers"	11 45
Rockford	15 00
Sandstone	15 00
Saugatuck	10 00
Tipton	8 00
Traverse City, Y. P. S. C. E.	4 20

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Alpena	20 00
Benzonia	12 30
Breckenridge	2 00
Bridgeport	2 50
Charlotte, of which, special offering, \$11.30	36 39
Cheboygan	3 00
Chelsea	15 00
Covert	7 00
Detroit, Ladies' Union, First Ch.	51 00
Dexter	10 00
Farwell	5 00
Flint, \$37; Thank-offering, \$5	42 00
Greenville	12 01
Hersey	5 00
Lake Linden	20 00
North Adams [Previously ack. \$15]	
Oliver, L. B. S.	30 11
E. Ely	25 00
Owosso	11 00
Romeo, Extra Half-penny Coll.	14 60
South Haven	21 00
Stanton	33 00
Vernon	7 63
Victor	3 00
West Adrian	10 00
Whitaker	5 00
Ypsilanti, Thank-offering	2 50

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Young People's North Star Mission:

Alamo, S. S.	\$2 10
Cheboygan, S. S., Rally	6 00
Covert, S. S., Rally	11 80
Flat Rock, S. S., Rally	5 22
Flint, Willing Workers	7 60
Galesburg, S. S., Rally	10 17
Grass Lake, W. H. M. S., \$5; Mrs. Cooper's S. S. class, Birthday-offering, \$1.50	6 50
Hersey, S. S.	3 00
Mattawan, S. S., Rally	6 20
Merrill, "Nimble Nickel" Soc.	2 50
Oliver, Y. P. S. C. E., \$16.76; S. S. shares for N. S. M., \$6.50	23 56
Ovid, Mrs. C. Whitney's S. S. class of boys	3 30
Somerseset, Y. P. S. C. E., \$10; Faithful Workers, \$2.50	12 80
Stanton, Band of "Cheerful Workers"	6 00
Watervliet, S. S. Birthday-box, 1891	15 65
Whitaker	5 00

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Received by Rev. C. F. Van Aukken:

Bellaire	\$15 40
Central Lake	12 25
East Nelson	9 75
Helena	13 75
Minden City	3 00
Old Mission	8 17
Wolverine	15 15
	80 37
Alba, by Rev. F. Bagnall	10 00
Alamo, Julius Hackley, Interest	80 80
Allegan, Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Ch., by Amy Nichols	1 42
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Bridgman and Sawyer, by Rev. H. C. Snyder	4 22
Copemish, by Rev. E. I. Grinnell	7 00
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Gaylord, by Rev. G. W. Stilwell	7 00
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Mrs. R. M. Bennett	2 40
Kalamazoo, First, by F. S. Dewey	30 05
Linden, S. S., Rally, by Mrs. J. M. Cook	5 74
Michigan, John E. Lee	26 75
Middleville, by Rev. C. H. Seaver	4 50
Onokama, S. S., by Mrs. M. R. Stanley	4 16
Portland, by Rev. C. W. Bird	10 14
Prattville, by Rev. A. E. Bailey	6 61
Romeo, S. S., by S. L. Smith	5 35
A Friend	90 00
Superior and Bay Mills, by Rev. J. McGregor	2 00
Traverse City, First, by S. E. Wait	18 00
Utica, S. S., New Year's-offering, by Luna Marvin	2 00
Vienna, by Rev. R. Houston	7 69
Wolverine, by Rev. E. J. Burgess	2 00
White Cloud, by Rev. D. Truman	20 00
Williamston, by Rev. G. Mylne	6 53

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Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. G. W. Nelson	11 32
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Durand, S. S., Rally, by P. W. Goodrich	7 9
Eagle River, by Rev. A. S. Newcomb	1 0

Fond du Lac, Mrs. J. A. Bryan..... \$3 70
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IOWA—\$23.19; of which Legacy, \$14.07.

Des Moines, On account of Rollins Leg-
 acy, by A. S. Merrill..... 14 07
 Percival, S. S., by C. E. Stiles..... 4 12
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 Dawson, S. S., Rally..... 5 60
 Elgin..... 6 55
 Excelsior..... 7 90
 Glyndon, S. S..... 6 53
 Hudson..... 5 15
 Lake City, Birthday-box, \$7.13.
 Christmas Eve, \$9.17..... 16 30
 Minneapolis, Mrs. H. L. Chase..... 5 00
 A Friend..... 5 00
 Vine Ch..... 2 35
 First..... 97 67
 Mantorville, S. S..... 5 00
 Morris, S. S..... 6 28
 Ortonville, S. S..... 6 50
 Pillsbury, Ch. and S. S., Rally... 5 00
 Sleepy Eye, S. S..... 1 20
 St. Paul, Bohemian Mission..... 10 00
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 Villard..... 10 00
 Winthrop..... 1 65
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 First Ch..... 20 00
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 Owatonna..... 25 00
 Plainview, C. E. S..... 3 32
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 tra Cent-a-day..... 75
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 vians..... 7 00
 Wabasha..... 5 00

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 ond, by Rev. C. H. Routliffe..... 3 00
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 dell..... 1 75
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 val..... 10 00
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 ing Festival..... 30 00
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 slow..... 6 57
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Woman's H. M. Union, Southern Cal., Mrs. E. A. Spencer, Treas.....	50 00
Adin and Alturas, by Rev. E. Hoskins.....	1 50
Benich, S. S., Rally, by C. H. Mason..	10 50
Y. P. S. C. E., by J. Watters.....	2 50
Callahans, \$4; Oro Fino, \$6, by Rev. L. Wallace.....	10 00
Crockett, Thomas J. Edwards.....	25 50
Dehesa, by Rev. A. Bixby.....	15 00
Los Angeles, Third Ch., by Rev. J. H. Collins.....	3 75
West End Ch., by Rev. E. Cash.....	10 00
Monrovia, by Rev. O. D. Crawford....	10 00
Oakland, Second, by Rev. J. F. Bacon.....	35 00
Ocean View, by Rev. P. R. Adams.....	8 50
Perris, by Rev. C. H. Davis.....	10 00
Pomona, S. S., Rally, by A. P. Nichols.....	10 55
San Bernardino, Bethel Ch., by Rev. E. R. Brainerd.....	36 00
San Diego, Second, by Rev. G. S. Hall.....	95
San Jose, S. S., by F. D. Ashworth.....	5 00
San Juan, Ch., \$12.90; S. S., \$6.80; Gabi-len, \$4.45, by Rev. M. J. Luark.....	24 20
Santa Barbara, S. S., Rally, by C. P. Low.....	14 00
Santa Monica, S. S., Rally, \$2.70; Thanksgiving S. S. con., \$5.11; Nickel Investment, \$14.85.....	22 66

OREGON—\$43.30.

Received by Rev. C. F. Clapp:	
Forest Grove, S. S.....	\$7 60
Willamina, S. S.....	3 20
Forest Grove, Mrs. A. W. Staver, by Rev. D. Staver.....	
Smyrna, by Rev. F. W. Parker.....	12 50
	20 00

WASHINGTON—\$344.04.

Received by Rev. C. W. Merritt:	
Black Diamond, by O. Hughes.....	\$20 00
Blaine, S. S., Rally.....	4 00
McMillan, S. S., Rally.....	1 60
Oak Lake, S. S., Rally.....	1 00
Redmond, S. S., Rally.....	2 05
Seattle, Plymouth, S. S., Rally.....	25 00
Tacoma, Swedish Ch., S. S., Rally.....	1 75
	\$55 40
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. R. Abrams, Treas.	
Tacoma, Ladies' Miss. Soc. First Ch.....	113 00

Coupeville, S. S., Rally, by G. Lindsay.....	165 40
Fidalgo City and Rosario, by Rev. H. J. Taylor.....	7 80
Nachez, \$6; Wenas, \$3, by Rev. S. H. Cheadle.....	4 51
Pullman, Rally, \$37.17; Ewatsville, Mr. Reese, \$20, by Rev. L. O. Baird..	14 00
Ritzville, \$3; Endicott, \$4, by Rev. J. Koch.....	47 17
Seattle, Taylor Ch., by Rev. G. H. Lee.....	7 00
Spokane, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. F. V. Hoyt.....	3 70
Stellacoom and Lake View, by Rev. L. W. Brintnall.....	8 00
Uniontown, by Rev. E. L. Smith.....	10 00
Walla Walla, S. S. of First Ch., Rally, by T. C. Elliott.....	55 00
West Kittitas, \$5.50; Big Creek, \$2.10, by Rev. R. G. Hawn.....	15 86
	7 60
HOME MISSIONARY.....	288 61

\$50,498 15

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Amherst, N. H., Ladies' Char. Assoc., by Mrs. E. M. Hartshorn, box and cash... \$62 00

Auburn, Me., Ladies' Sew. Cir. of High St. Ch., by Mrs. John F. Cobb, barrel.	\$70 00	Mrs. Wm. Knight, box.....	\$165 00
Berlin Heights, Ohio, W. M. S., by Mrs. E. G. Chase, barrel.....	9 70	Richmond, Mass., by Carrie L. Nichols, barrel.....	70 00
Bristol, R. I., Ladies' H. M. S. of First Ch., by C. Maria Shepard, box.....	135 65	Sherburne, N. Y., W. M. S., by Minnie C. Coats, box and cash.....	60 00
Brooklyn, N. Y., Ladies' Ben. Assoc. of Central Ch., by Mrs. A. H. Wagner, two barrels and package.....	146 90	Southington, Ct., "Heart and Hand" Circle of King's Daughters, by Mrs. Russel G. Andrews, box.....	
Zenana Band of Central Ch., by Jessie Lipman, two barrels.....	210 00	Stratford, Ct., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Mrs. R. W. Bunnell, two boxes.....	108 00
Dr. E. P. Thwing, package.....		Swanton, Vt., Ladies, by Mrs. E. J. Renshaw, box and cash.....	48 00
Burlington, Vt., Ladies' Aux. of Vt. H. M. U. of College St. Ch., by Mrs. G. H. Perkins, box and cash.....	104 30	Upper Montclair, N. J., Ladies of C. U. C. Ch., by M. C. Hotchkiss, two barrels and freight.....	175 00
Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. J. M. Maack, barrel and cash.....	167 00	W. H. M. S., two barrels.....	175 00
Collinsville, Ct., Ladies' H. M. S., by Mrs. O. F. Perry, box.....	109 74	Washington, D. C., W. H. M. S. of First Ch., four barrels and package.....	291 68
Darien, Ct., King's Daughters, by C. M. Hoyt, barrel.....	40 00	Box for Miss. wife in Utah.....	27 15
Elyria, O., Ladies' H. M. S., by C. E. Crandall, box.....	20 00	W. H. M. S. of Mt. Pleasant Ch., by Mrs. C. H. Small, barrel.....	60 00
Franklin, N. Y., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. S. P. Smith, barrel and freight.....	75 85	Waterbury, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of First Ch., by Frances E. Dutton, box and cash.....	116 53
Hancock, N. H., Ladies' Sew. Cir., by Mrs. Ella L. Goodhue, barrel.....	45 00	Wheaton, Ill., W. M. S. of College St. Ch. of Christ, by Mrs. Felicia H. Scott, barrel.....	70 75
Hanover, N. H., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Susan A. Brown, barrel, half barrel and freight.....	125 00	Winchester, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. E. F. Bronson, box.....	45 00
Hartford, Ct., Ladies' H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. H. Pitkin, two barrels.....	150 60	Woodbridge, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Wm. Warner, box.....	51 37
Ladies' Soc. of South Ch., by Miss A. A. Welles, barrel.....	106 64	By Mrs. E. F. Grabbil, Mich.:.....	
Laingsburg, Mich., Woman's M. Soc., by Mrs. W. L. Seward, barrel.....	70 00	Greenville, W. H. M. S., barrel.....	70 00
Marlborough, N. H., Ladies' Cent. Soc. and H. M. U., by Mrs. M. E. Wright, two barrels.....	94 84	South Haven, W. H. M. S., box.....	24 00
Meriden, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of First Ch., by Adeline G. Conklin, barrel.....	121 25	Vernon, W. H. M. S., "Cheerful Givers" and "Buds of Promise," Christmas-box.....	50 00
Merrimack, N. H., Ladies Aid Soc., by Mrs. F. A. Gordon, barrel.....	80 00		
Mount Vernon, O., Young People's M. S. of First Ch., by R. Elizabeth Pratt, box, freight and cash.....			
National City, Cal., Ladies' M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. G. Adams, cash.....	10 00		
Newark, N. J., W. H. M. S. of Belleville Ch., for Alcester, So. Dak., com. service.....	40 00		
New Britain, Ct., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch. of Christ, by Emma L. Pickett, box.....	135 00		
Ladies' Benev. Soc. of South Ch., by Mary E. Bingham, box and barrel.....	175 74		
New Haven, Ct., Ladies' Aid Soc., of United Ch., by Mrs. J. Everts Pond, box.....	197 38		
Newport, R. I., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of United Ch., by E. R. Hammett, box and freight.....	93 70		
New York City, Ladies' H. M. S. of Broadway Tab. Ch., by Ellen M. Maitland, six trunks.....	1,161 55		
Church Miss. Soc. of Morrisania, by Clara M. Price, box.....	75 00		
Mrs. D. M. Timson, trunk.....			
State Charities Aid Assoc., package.....			
North Amherst, O., Mrs. P. E. Harding, cash.....	5 00		
Norwich, N. Y., Woman's Assoc. of First Ch., by Mrs. O. R. Johnson, two barrels.....	191 83		
Philadelphia, Pa., Ladies' Soc. of Central Ch., by Mrs. A. W. Goodell, box.....	50 00		
Plymouth, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Miss E. B. Wells, box.....			
Portland, Me., Miss. Cir. of State St. Ch., by Carrie L. Conant, bale.....	130 51		
Providence, R. I., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Beneficent Ch., by Mrs. S. E. Slade, barrel.....	110 50		
Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Union Ch., by			

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from November 17, 1891, to January 7, 1892. JOHN L. CROSBY, Treas.

Bangor, Central Ch., by G. S. Hall.....	\$100 00
Hammond St., for A. H. M. S., by George Webster.....	2 00
Brewer, First Ch., Mrs. Catherine S. Hardy, to const. Dea. E. P. Farrington a L. M.....	20 00
Brookline, Mass., "From certain of the heirs of Richard W. Shapleigh, deceased, intestate" (an amount which was believed to be in accordance with his unexpressed wishes), by James H. and William T. Shapleigh, of Boston.....	1,104 16
Calais, First Ch., by A. L. Clapp.....	58 75
Camden, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	20 00
Dedham, by Rev. S. D. Towne.....	11 50
Deer Isle, First Ch., for A. H. M. S., by Rev. J. S. Richards.....	9 00
Second Ch., by Rev. J. S. Richards.....	3 70
Durham, Boys' and Girls' H. M. Rally, by W. P. Brown.....	4 08
Eastport, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	13 41
Eliot, by Rev. T. F. Millett.....	5 75
Ellsworth, Miss Lucy L. Phelps, legacy, by Annie C. Emery, Exr.....	50 00
Farmington Falls, by Lena C. Watson.....	10 00
Frankfort, by Albert Pierce.....	10 79
Gilead, by B. S. Maben.....	10 00
Gorham, by Joseph Ridlon.....	68 82
Hallowell, Mrs. Mary Field, add'l legacy, by J. S. Field, Exr.....	28 71
Harrison, Ch., for A. H. M. S., by Rev. H. A. Freeman.....	5 00
By Rev. H. A. Freeman.....	4 00
Kennebunkport, by Rev. C. H. Pope.....	14 00
Kennebunk, Union Cong. Ch., by H. S. Bridgman.....	32 93
Limerick, Ch. and congregation, by Rev. T. S. Perry.....	9 00

Minot Center, by Dea. J. E. Washburn..	\$8 00
Minto, No. Dak., Emma Bachellor, to const. Mrs. Sarah M. Williams a L. M.	20 00
North Bridgton, by Rev. H. A. Freeman, \$20 of which to const. Mrs. Alice M. Mank a L. M.	33 00
Norway, Second Ch., by Rev. B. S. Ride- out.	6 00
Orland, Miss Emma Buck.	20 00
Portland (unknown), "a Christmas Gift"	20 00
High St. Ch., by H. W. Shaylor.	230 00
Williston Ch., add'l, by G. F. Thurston	1 00
Red Beach (branch Ch.), by A. L. Clapp.	11 25
Saco, First Ch., by J. W. Littlefield.	24 40
South Gardiner, by Rev. S. D. Towne.	20 34
South Paris, by H. N. Bolster.	7 00
Summer Hill, Miss A. E. Barrett's S. S. class.	5 50
Topsheld, by Mrs. A. N. Ogilvie.	3 10
West Brooksville, by Rev. J. E. Adams.	4 50
Willard, by Rev. S. D. Towne.	10 00
Yarmouth, First Ch., by C. L. Marston.	16 00
York Corner, Second Ch., by J. H. Moody.	11 50
Woman's Me. Miss'y AUX., by Tr.	199 00
Coupons, dividends, etc.	733 00
	\$2,979 19

ERRATUM: In acknowledging receipts
November 17, 1891, Cumberland Mills,
Warren Ch., should have been credited
with \$25 instead of \$75.

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSION- ARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the New Hampshire Home Mission-
ary Society from November 1, 1891, to Janu-
ary 1, 1892. L. D. STEVENS, Treas.*

Amherst, W. H. M. S.	\$10 00
Antrim, Legacy of Miss Lydia R. Parkin- son.	200 00
Concord, First Ch. and Soc., \$94.95, to const. Wm. H. Durant, Mrs. H. W. Brickett and Mrs. Geo. F. Page L. Ms.; Christmas-offering from A Friend.	99 95
Colebrook.	8 00
Candia.	10 00
Center Harbor.	10 00
Exeter, First Ch., \$120; Second Ch., \$128.62; Hon. John J. Bell, \$100, to const. Mrs. Geo. E. Kent and John K. Bell L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.	348 62
East Andover.	8 00
Enfield.	9 35
Gilsum, S. S., \$9.06, for A. H. M. S.	14 06
Gorham, Y. P. S. C. E. of Randolph Hill Union Ch.	5 00
Great Falls, First Ch., for A. H. M. S.	20 00
Hebron.	8 00
Hopkinton, for A. H. M. S.	2 70
Hollis.	20 00
Hanover, Cong. Ch., at Dartmouth Col- lege.	100 00
Hampstead, S. S., \$24.75; for A. H. M. S., \$31.	55 75
Keene, Extra Cent-a-day Band of Sec- ond Ch., \$25.00; Estate of Miss Mary P. Whitney, \$22.35; Second Ch. and Soc., \$37.17.	55 52
Lisbon, First Ch.	5 94
Laconia.	75 00
Meredith.	18 62
Marlborough.	7 40
New Market.	9 00
Nashua, Pilgrim Ch., \$13.32; First Ch. and Soc., \$90.	103 32
N. H. F. C. I. and H. M. U.	106 65

Newport, Ch. and Soc., toward purchas- ing team for Rev. J. E. Wildey, \$11.38; to pay outlays of Rev. J. E. Wildey in Nov., \$37.56; for salary of Rev. J. E. Wildey, \$73.	\$123 88
Nelson, Ch. and Soc.	12 00
Pulpit supply of the Secretary of Franco- nia.	10 00
Rochester.	45 45
Rindge.	39 16
Swanzy.	10 00
Webster, \$23; Alfred Smith Mission Band, \$15.	38 00
West Lebanon, Y. P. S. C. E.	13 49
	\$1,632 87

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary
Society from November 20 to December 20, 1891.
T. M. HOWARD, Treas.*

Barre, East.	\$9 70
Bennington Center, First.	60 00
Bennington, Second, S. S., for work in Woodford.	36 40
Berlin.	20 00
Brattleboro, Center Ch. S. S.	25 00
Cornwall.	16 66
Danby, Y. P. S. C. E., for Lady Evangel- ists.	8 65
Danville, Rev. S. Knowlton.	25 00
Franklin, in full, to const. Mrs. Harrison Gates a L. M.	9 00
Glover, West.	9 42
Hardwick, East, special.	53 53
McIndoes Falls.	9 25
Marlboro.	6 00
Marshfield, S. S., for A. H. M. S. Army.	1 05
J. F. W.	5 00
New Haven.	64 70
Newport, First.	12 25
Northfield.	16 60
Vergennes.	20 00
Wallingford.	21 00
Ladies' Cent. Soc.	21 00
West Rutland, F. A. Morse.	1 00
Mrs. Chauncy S. Gorham.	5 00
Miss Charity M. Gorham, for work in Eastern Oregon.	5 00
VERMONT MISSIONARY.	33 75

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P.
Fairbanks, Treas.

Guildhall, W. H. M. S.	\$5 00
Manchester.	6 50
Newbury, West.	6 50
Randolph, Homeland Circle.	25 00
Rutland, W. H. M. S.	50 00
St. Johnsbury, South Ch.	27 10
Swanton.	6 50
Wells River.	6 35
	\$131 45
	\$626 45

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSION- ARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary
Society in January, 1892. REV. EDWIN B.
PALMER, Treas.*

Acton, Evangelical, by Isaac T. Flagg.	\$40 00
South, S. S., by Gertrude S. Harrington	6 00
A Massachusetts friend, "F. M. N."	100 00
Andover, South, by George Gould, for A. H. M. S.	146 75

Arlington, by Pliny Fiske.....	\$85 69	Village, S. S., by Rev. E. P. Blodgett, for Rev. Dr. Schaunler's work.....	\$9 38
Attleboro, First, by Charles E. Jordan..	4 30	Hadley, First, S. S., of which \$8.50 from Mrs. Dr. Ayre's class, special, by James McQuesten.....	18 15
Bank balances, Interest on.....	16 94	Class, to supplement above, by M. S. Pierce.....	1 30
Becket, North, by Jarvis Norcott.....	12 00	Hampden Benevolent Association, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:.....	
Bedford, A Friend.....	3 00	Agawam, Feeding Hills.....	\$15 00
Miss Emily M. Davis.....	1 00	Chicopee, Second.....	144 24
Mrs. Betsey Rothwell, by Rev. Edwin Smith.....	1 00	S. S.....	25 00
Beverly, Washington Street, by Samuel Abbott.....	104 57	Holyoke, First.....	47 68
Boston, A Friend.....	35 00	Second, to const. five L. M.'s. of A. H. M. S.....	250 14
A. M. B.....	1 00	Longmeadow, Gentlemen's Be- nev. Assoc.....	44 00
Andrews, Martha E., Memorial to Mrs. C. S. Tobey.....	27 00	Ladies' Benev. Assoc.....	75 83
Berkeley Street, by Benj. F. Dewing..	110 00	East.....	10 00
Dorchester, Second, John L. Barry, by Miss E. Tolman.....	10 00	Palmer, First.....	13 01
Grover, Rev. R. B.....	5 00	Union, Evan.....	20 73
Old South, by R. H. Stearns, in part..	526 00	South Hadley Falls.....	14 42
Mrs. Chas. Carruth, for work among foreigners.....	25 00	Springfield, Memorial.....	52 69
Mrs. H. A. Hill, for work among fore- igners.....	25 00	Olivet.....	37 00
Roxbury, Highland, by John W. Hall..	5 00	White St.....	5 10
Walnut Ave., by Chas. T. Barry.....	535 04	S. S.....	5 00
West, South Evan., by Miss N. B. Pearse.....	10 60	Westfield, Second.....	63 87
Shawmut, by Wm. A. Chapin, of which \$50 for Woman's Dept. in the West..	615 00	West Springfield, Mittineague.....	39 55
Strong, Edward A.....	25 00	Park St.....	60 19
Thayer, Misses M. E. and F. G., \$50 each, for delayed salaries.....	100 00	S. S.....	16 00
W. A. L., to constitute "Wall Fund".....	2,000 00		969 35
Brackett Fund, Income of.....	100 00	Hale, E. J. M., fund, Income of.....	34 00
Braintree, First, by A. B. Keith.....	12 86	Hardwick, Gilbertville, by A. H. Rich- ardson, to const. Mrs. J. E. Amidon, Wilson Martin, John Greenwood, and John S. Bonney L. M.s.....	143 95
Bridgewater, Scotland, by Mrs. S. O. Keith.....	14 40	Harwick, by Rev. John C. Staples, for A. H. M. S.....	17 43
Brimfield, First, by M. H. Corbin.....	11 00	Haverhill, Center, by Ezra Kelly.....	103 00
S. S., by M. H. Corbin.....	14 00	West, by Walter F. Poore, of which \$2 for French Prot. College.....	30 00
Brockton, A Friend, "mites".....	5 00	Hingham, by Henry W. Ford, w. p. g., to const. a L. M. to be named.....	25 00
Campello, South, by Geo. A. Morse.....	30 00	Homer, Mich., Mrs. C. C. Evarts, for A. H. M. S.....	5 00
Brookline, "Richard W. Shapleigh Me- morial," by Jas. H. and W. T. Shap- leigh, Trustees.....	1,104 16	Hopkinton, First, S. S. Primary Class, by S. I. Valentine.....	7 35
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, by N. H. Hol- brook, add'l.....	3 00	Jessup, C. A., fund, Income of.....	150 00
Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs. L. G. Case, to const. Mrs. Grace J. Hayes a L. M.....	30 10	Lawrence, Lawrence St., by C. K. Pills- bury.....	158 58
Carter, Sabra, Fund, Income of.....	6 00	Trinity, by W. E. Rowell, for local French work.....	25 00
Charlton, by Alfred E. Fiske.....	21 68	Leicester, First, by J. C. Watson.....	130 89
Cummington, E. S. Pettingill, for A. H. M. S.....	5 00	Lowell, Kirk St., by A. L. Thompson.....	13 00
Dalton, Miss Clara L. Crane.....	250 00	Marsfield, North, S. S., Birthday-offering, by Agnes L. Sherman, special.....	11 25
Mrs. J. B. Crane.....	200 00	Men's class.....	8 26
W. M. Crane.....	250 00	Tilden, Miss Christina's class of Ladies, special.....	8 38
Dedham, First, by C. Guild, for A. H. M. S.....	212 83	Mrs. E. H. Watson's class of young ladies, special.....	6 00
Duxbury, Pilgrim, by Mrs. M. A. Parker	10 00	Medford, South, Union, by N. P. Richard- son.....	10 00
Easthampton, Payson, S. S., by R. A. McAlpine.....	70 11	West, by J. H. Gerrish.....	12 00
Eayrs, E. P. fund, Income of.....	23 17	Medway, West, Second, S. S., by Mrs. Rev. Wm. Carr, Rally fund.....	17 12
Exeter, N. H., First Xenophon, General work, \$12, Bohemian work, \$13.....	25 00	Melrose, Orthodox, by C. C. Goss.....	22 40
Fall River, First, by E. S. Thayer, toward Salary of a missionary who will correspond, etc.....	318 79	W. G. B., special.....	1 50
Falmouth, North, by Ward Eldred.....	32 25	Merrimac, by E. C. Hopkins.....	100 00
Fitchburg, Calvinistic, A Friend, by Leon H. Downe.....	50 00	Michigan City, No. Dak., Mrs. D. Wool- ner.....	50
Friends.....	25 00	Middleton, by C. P. Stiles.....	4 30
Rollstone, by W. E. Clifford, to const. H. W. Hitchcock a L. M.....	42 71	Milbury, Rev. Geo. A. Putnam.....	20 00
Framingham, Plymouth, by F. B. Horne.	88 64	Second, by A. Armsby, to const. El- bridge G. Langdon a L. M. of A. H. M. S.....	67 14
South, Grace, S. S., Prim. Dept., Birth- day gifts, by Mrs. F. G. Stearns, spe- cial.....	5 13	Milton, Mrs. E. E. V. Field.....	10 00
Gardner, First, by Marcus Whitney.....	135 00	Newburyport, North, by J. B. Creasey..	60 00
Gloucester, Evan., by Joseph O. Proctor.	156 35	Newton, Auburndale, by C. C. Burr.....	15 00
Grafton, Evan., by Geo. K. Nichols.....	50 06	Elliot, by D. E. Snow.....	226 73
North, Mrs. W. D. Mascroft.....	4 40	West, Second, by J. J. Eddy.....	135 85
Great Barrington, Barrastonic, Extra- Cent-a-Day Band, by Chas. E. Platt....	70 18	Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by Sarah L. Patrick, special.....	25 00
Greenwich, Mrs. A. B. Haskell.....	5 00		

Northboro, S. S., Prim. Dept., by Miss A. M. Small, special	\$10 00
Northbridge, Whitinsville, Extra Cent-a-Day Band, by Mrs. C. E. Whittin	17 34
Northfield, Prim., by Miss M. T. Dutton	8 00
Norwood, First, by Edson D. Smith	47 96
Oxford, by Rev. W. N. T. Dean	25 00
Pepperell, by Chas. Crosby	15 28
Pittsfield, First, by Frank W. Dutton	100 10
Free Will Soc., by Mrs. M. B. Davis	34 00
Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson	19 72
Redlands, Cal., Rev. J. M. R. Eaton, in memory of Mrs. Harriette D. Eaton, late of Fitchburg, Mass.	25 00
Reed, Dwight, Fund, Income of	90 00
Rockland, by Will A. Clark, for A. H. M. S.	30 00
Rollins Fund, Income of	20 00
Salem, South, by Samuel Johnson, Second	32 00
Somerset, S. S., by W. H. Marble	5 21
Somerville, East, Mrs. Henry Howard, to const. Mary L. Foster of So. Merrimac, N. H., a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	50 00
Southbridge, by Edwin S. Swift	73 06
Globe Village, by Wm. J. Keith, for A. H. M. S.	47 84
"Our Country"	59 00
Swampscott, First, by Geo. E. Gilbert	40 00
Topsheld, by Edwin S. Clifford	36 90
Waltham, Trinity, by T. W. Temple	40 94
Ware, East, S. S., by A. E. Davis	25 00
First, by W. L. Brakenridge	31 69
Webster, Waldo Johnson	5 00
Wellesley Hills, by L. V. N. Peck, for A. H. M. S.	47 45
West Brookfield, Boys' S. S. class, by A. F. Woods, special	17 00
Westminster, First, by D. W. Hill	8 63
Westport, Pacific Union, S. S., by J. C. Macomber	12 89
Weymouth, North, Pilgrim, by Rev. W. D. Leland	14 70
South, Second, by Rev. H. C. Alvord	11 00
Whiteclomb, David, Fund, Income of, tax rebate	100 87
Whitin, J. C., Fund, Income of	120 00
Williamsburgh, by Wm. A. Hawks	87 15
Winchester, First, by Eugene Tappan, of which \$47.43 for work among foreign population	170 36
S. S., by Eugene Tappan, toward salary of Rev. Robert M. Travers, Leigh, Neb.	50 00
Woburn, First, by F. B. Richardson	171 91
North, by Samuel A. Thompson	23 38
Worcester, Piedmont, by Chas. F. Marble	57 00
Taft, Calvin, Estate of, by E. C. Taft of Holyoke, Trustee	4,000 00
Woman's H. M. Association:	
Appropriation from "Banister Legacy" for Woman's Dept. of French Protestant College in Springfield	\$500 60
Boston, Roxbury, Walnut Ave., Ladies' Miss. Soc., for Rev. Samuel Deakin, Hay Springs, Neb.	83 55
	583 55
	\$16,615 94
HOME MISSIONARY	20 60
	\$16,636 54

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in January, 1892. Miss NATHALIE LORD, Home Secretary.

Abington, First Ch., Ladies' Sew. Cir., by Mrs. R. W. Haskins, cash \$10 00 |

Andover, Chapel Ch., Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Mary D. Churchill, box	\$123 32
South Ch., Ladies, by Miss Alice Rogers, bundle and freight	36 78
Boston, Rooms W. H. M. A., Friends, by Mrs. F. A. Mansfield, barrel	7 00
Brookline, Harvard Sew. Cir., by Amelia M. Clough, box	146 39
Cambridgeport, Prospect St. Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. G. H. Steadman, Com. set	20 00
Chicopee, First Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. E. P. Stedman, barrel	
Cohasset, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Z. C. Small, barrel	50 00
Dorchester, Second Ch., Ladies, by Fannie L. Vose, two barrels	129 82
Falmouth, Ladies' Sew. Cir., by Mrs. Harriet H. Gifford, barrel, box, freight, and cash	152 00
Great Barrington, Ladies' Aid Soc., by Mrs. M. D. Sexton, box and freight	133 50
Housatonic, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. T. G. Ramsell, barrel	75 50
Hyde Park, Ladies, by Mrs. Chick, barrel	60 00
Leominster, Ladies' Charitable Soc., by Mrs. C. E. Bigelow, barrel and freight	146 50
Lowell, Highland Ch., Ladies, by Miss L. A. Wallingford, two barrels and package	103 50
New Bedford, North Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Carrie W. Hathaway, box	125 00
Peabody, Young Ladies' Miss. Cir., \$42.58, and Ladies, by Mrs. Mary E. Trask, two barrels	200 00
Spencer, Ladies, by Mrs. C. O. Tyler, barrel and freight	75 00
Springfield, Eastern Ave. Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Henrietta Fett, barrel and freight	61 51
Park Ch., Woman's Benev. Soc., by Mrs. Geo. L. Green, two barrels	87 87
Stockbridge, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. C. P. Warner, barrel	76 82
Ware, East Cong. Ch., Woman's Cir., by Miss Mary E. Taylor, barrel	75 00
Williamstown, Ladies, by Mrs. Lucy C. Lincoln, two barrels, \$18; barrel unappraised	
Winchester, Ladies' Western Miss. Soc., by Mrs. Moses A. Herrick, barrel	164 63
Worcester, Pilgrim Ch., Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs. F. H. Mighill, cash, \$10 (\$2 for Y. P. S. C. E.), barrel, \$107.50, freight, \$2.27	119 57

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in January, 1892. WARD W. JACOBS, Treas.

Bethel, by William Beard	\$26 54
Bridgewater, by Mrs. Ahnira J. Bennett, annual	25 00
Cromwell, by Sarah M. Savage, for A. H. M. S.	155 43
Danbury, First, by H. Williams, \$63 06; for A. H. M. S., to const. George McArthur, Mortimer P. Reynolds, Mrs. Ella L. Mallory, William F. Burns, and Mrs. Della E. Gregory, all of Danbury, L. M. S., \$216.79	279 85
East Lyme, Niantic, by Dea. George Griswold	10 00
Essex, from H. S. Morgan for A. H. M. S. for benefit of W. S. Davis, of Spokane, Washington, by Rev. Chas. W. Shelton,	

\$3; from "Friends" for A. H. M. S., \$44;		Green Mountain.....	\$12 61
Y. P. S. C. E. for A. H. M. S., \$10.....	\$57 00	Grinnell.....	188 71
Centerbrook, "Friends," for A. H. M. S.....	5 00	Hampton, First.....	56 00
Glastonbury, Buckingham, by T. D. Goslee, for A. H. M. S.....	7 25	Hull.....	31 00
Goshen, S. S., by Lucy B. Wadhams.....	35 00	Ionia.....	18 06
Greenwich, Stanwich, by L. M. Close.....	10 92	Iowa Falls.....	21 08
Hartford, First, by C. T. Welles, \$350.94; from "Hawes Fund," \$35.25; Rev. E. A. Smith, personal, for A. H. M. S., \$50.....	436 19	Lawler.....	6 00
Fourth, by Hattie M. Foster.....	25 00	Montour.....	2 00
Asylum Hill, by Chas. E. Thompson, \$508.60; L. T. Frisbie, personal, \$40; add'l, \$50.....	598 60	Peterson.....	2 70
Killingworth, by N. H. Everts.....	16 00	Rolson's School-house.....	2 62
Litchfield, Northfield, by H. C. Peck.....	18 51	Slater, earnings of Sec.....	10 00
Manchester, First, A. L. Spencer, personal.....	10 00	Smithland.....	90
Middletown, Third, by J. J. Wilcox.....	51 00	Storm Lake.....	23 43
South, by G. A. Craig, add'l.....	10 00	Warren and Hartwick.....	3 12
Morris, by Dea. Samuel A. Whittlessey.....	6 00		
Naugatuck, "Friends," for A. H. M. S., by Rev. Chas. W. Shelton.....	24 25	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	
New Haven, College Street, by Samuel Lloyd.....	118 00	Alden.....	\$11 50
New London, First, by H. C. Learned.....	44 79	Beacon.....	2 00
Norfolk, by J. N. Cowles.....	300 00	Belle Plaine.....	3 00
North Stonington, for A. H. M. S., by T. S. Wheeler.....	133 00	Big Rock.....	4 70
Norwich, First, by Lewis A. Hyde.....	36 79	Burlington, Rally.....	7 40
Greeneville, by Frank H. Potter, to const. John McWilliams a L. M.....	60 00	Boys and Girls of S. S.....	1 22
Park, by H. L. Butts.....	51 56	Cass.....	20 00
Old Lyme, by William F. Coult.....	6 53	Cnapin.....	4 00
Orange, West Haven, by Rev. S. J. Bryant.....	25 77	Cleveland, Eng.....	2 50
Pomfret, by Mrs. C. C. Williams.....	32 39	Corning.....	1 35
Abington, by Rev. H. Cartledge, \$15; for A. H. M. S., \$3.....	18 00	Cresco.....	12 10
South Windsor, Wapping, by F. W. Gilbert.....	21 04	Cromwell.....	6 13
Washington, New Preston Hill, by W. L. Birkins.....	12 75	Danville.....	3 80
Wilton, by E. Gilbert.....	70 00	Davenport, Edwards.....	4 25
Wolcott, by Stiles L. Hotchkiss.....	10 00	Ger.....	5 00
	\$2,728 86	Elliott.....	3 00

CORRECTION: Haddam, First, should be \$5.48 instead of \$5.80; Hartland, East, should be \$14 instead of \$14.40; Lebanon, Exeter, should be Charles C. Loomis instead of Chas. E. Loomis. Erroneously ack'd in February issue.

Boxes.

Waterbury, Second, Ladies, Cash..... \$53 50

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in December, 1891. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Allison.....	\$13 50
Alpha, Thank-offering.....	6 75
Bassett.....	16 83
Belmond.....	12 50
Bethel.....	5 30
Blairsburg.....	10 65
Burlington.....	49 50
Clarion.....	53 33
Corning.....	23 55
Creston.....	6 80
Dubuque, First.....	5 00
Eldora.....	48 31
Fairfield.....	7 27
Fort Atkinson, Ger.....	15 00
Fort Dodge.....	15 00
German Association.....	10 00

Cedar Rapids.....	5 00
Corning.....	5 70
Green Mountain.....	7 35
Mason City.....	12 50
McGregor.....	8 00

Y. P. S. C. E.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, Treas., received in November:	
Alden, L. M. S.....	\$ 86
Algona, W. M. S.....	2 00
Cedar Falls, L. M. S.....	5 69
Corning, Children's Miss. Band.....	4 00
Council Bluffs, W. M. S.....	11 70
Dubuque, L. M. S.....	25 00
Durant, Y. L. M. S.....	10 00
Fort Dodge, L. M. S.....	10 00
Grinnell, W. H. M. U.....	45 50
Magnolia, W. H. M. U.....	1 75
Salem, L. M. S.....	15 27
Tabor, W. M. S.....	5 25

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, Treas., received in December:
Belle Plaine, W. M. S.....\$12 00

Burlington	\$131 25
Charles City, Thank-offering	17 15
W. M. S.	25 00
Chester Center, W. M. S.	15 25
Busy Bees	2 50
Davenport, Edwards, L. M. S.	43 70
Des Moines, Plymouth, W. M. S.	8 70
Plymouth Rock So.	50 10
Dubuque, Y. L. B. S.	9 25
Grinnell, Ladies	50 40
Birthday-offerings	32 29
W. H. M. U.	4 74
Jewell, W. M. S.	2 50
Miles, W. M. S.	15 00
Preston, L. M. S.	13 00
Sheldon, W. M. S.	5 00
Mrs. Haskins	5 00

\$442 33 \$579 35

Cherokee, Rev. D. E. Skinner	5 00
Mrs. Laura Holly	1 00
Grinnell, Rev. T. O. Douglass	5 00
Rev. H. M. Skeels	5 00
Ida Grove, Marion J. Sweeney	5 00
Polk City, R. L. McConnell	2 00

\$1,598 21

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society
in December. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Albany, Mr. and Mrs. E. Olds	\$2 00
Rent of church building	10 00
Algonquin	1 55
Annawan, A. B. Naves	5 00
Atkinson, Mrs. A. E. Arnold	5 00
Aurora, First	7 45
Austin	7 49
Barry, King's Children	3 50
Batavia, of which Mrs. L. C. Bull, \$5.	25 00
Belknap	21 37
Big Rock	5 00
Canton, of which J. B. Allen, \$5.	61 76
Carpentersville	5 00
Champaign	66 76
Chenoa	3 55
Chicago, First	76 62
Prof. G. N. Boardman	5 00
John L. Woodcock	50 00
New England Ch.	116 22
F. S. Rockwood	100 00
Leavitt Street Ch.	9 35
Lincoln Park Ch., Miss M. E. Dodge	2 00
Covenant Ch.	39 59
Central Park Ch. and S. S.	11 60
Chillicothe	40 85
Crystal Lake	7 92
Danway	4 00
Decatur	2 00
Earlville, J. A. D.	50 00
Elgin, First	35 00
Galva	1 00
Garden Prairie	9 43
Glencoe	114 87
Granville	30 00
Greenville	13 50
Half Day	7 54
Harvard	43 16
Huey	7 87
Huntley	66 15
Ivanhoe, Fremont Ch.	5 00
Joy Prairie	75 00
Kewanee, Mrs. H. E. Kellogg	5 00
La Grange	8 00
La Moille, Boys' and Girls' Army	5 00
La Salle, Joseph Thorndike	2 00
Lawn Ridge, A Friend	40 00
Lockport, Frederic Collins	5 00
Malta	5 86
Marseilles, A. Adams, Jr.	50 00

Mazon	\$10 53
Mevin	40 05
Moline, Mrs. Charles Atkinson	20 00
Mrs. Mary L. Deere	25 00
Miss Katherine M. Deere	10 00
Morrison, William Wallace and Robert Wallace	55 00
Oneida	23 05
Ottawa, S. S.	40 00
Pecatonica	10 00
Peoria, Plymouth S. S.	8 61
Poplar Grove	13 20
Prospect Park	2 00
Providence, of which Geo. C. Kellogg, \$2	12 00
Quincy, C. H. Bull	10 00
Kiley	10 01
Rockefeller	4 11
Rock Falls	15 00
Rollo, George Hyde	10 00
Sandwich	100 50
Seward, Kendall Co.	26 75
Springfield, First	18 22
Sterling	64 50
Stillman Valley, Y. P. S. C. E.	5 24
Sycamore, of which J. H. Rogers, \$25.	159 10
Turner, of which Mrs. R. Currier, \$3.	8 00
Wanboro, James Green	3 00
Waukegan, Mrs. Eliza Peabody	2 00
Wauposie, P. Landphere	5 00
A. Barker	5 00
Mrs. H. Rogers	5 00
Wayne	16 26
Wheaton, First, Y. P. S. C. E.	4 50
College Ch.	16 49

Woman's H. M. Union	\$150 00
Aurora, First	28 76
Big Rock	10 00
Lombard	18 00
Oak Park	66 25
Ontario	1 68
Plainfield, Mission Band	3 00
Rantoul	5 00
Rockford, Second (for Boys' Union, \$14)	50 25
Roseville, Mission Band	2 00
Sandwich	34 00
Springfield, First, S. S.	5 73
Waukegan	5 00

379 67

Rev. C. L. Morgan, Chicago	50 00
Rev. W. H. Chandler, Wheaton	10 00
Rev. J. D. McCord, Chicago	25 00
J. C. Hetzel, Englewood	5 00
Titus Brown, Milwaukee, Wis.	2 00
"Hidden Treasures"	50 00
For evangelistic support	164 75

\$2,718 54

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged and appropriated	\$43,886 94
Connecticut, Enfield, \$25; Fair Haven, \$12.50; Hartford, \$25; Miss. Soc.	
Conn., \$3; New Haven, \$337.03; West Chester, \$2.	349 53
District of Columbia, Washington	25 00
Massachusetts, Boston Highlands, \$10; H. M. Soc., \$402.34; Northampton, \$5; W. H. M. A., \$200.	617 34
Missouri, St. Louis	12 00
Ohio, Franklin, \$1.20; Hudson, \$5; Lodi, \$10; Mansfield, \$5; Springfield, \$12.	42 20
Pennsylvania, Philadelphia	45 00
Rhode Island, Newport	6 00

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TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS
OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1891, TO FEBRUARY 1, 1892.

	A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*		A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*
New Hampshire.....	\$2,315 50		Indiana.....	\$441 56	
Minnesota.....	3,825 12		Southern California.....	95 55	
Massachusetts.....			Vermont.....	1,434 40	
Rhode Island.....	2,587 37		Colorado.....		
Maine.....	1,662 81		Wyoming.....	702 75	
Michigan.....	2,773 67		Georgia.....	95 04	
Kansas.....	148 86		Alabama.....		
Ohio.....	1,358 41		Mississippi.....		
New York.....	1,406 96		Louisiana.....	1 00	
Wisconsin.....	136 57		Arkansas.....		
North Dakota.....	153 29		Kentucky.....		
Oregon.....	441 15	5 66	Tennessee.....		
Washington.....	254 49		North Carolina.....	5 00	
Northern Idaho.....			Texas.....	3 80	
South Dakota.....	186 46		Montana.....	78 50	
Connecticut.....	1,479 37		Pennsylvania.....	72 00	
Missouri.....	1,094 03		Oklahoma.....		
Illinois.....	2,257 23		New Jersey.....		
Iowa.....	2,593 91		Dist. Columbia.....	733 41	
California.....	710 00		Maryland.....		
Nebraska.....	974 50		Virginia.....		
Florida.....	259 25		Utah.....		

Total....\$30,280 87

* This column is to show amounts, as reported to the Woman's Dept., contributed by W. H. M. auxiliaries in struggling churches to help pay the pastor's salary, but not credited to any organization.

Woman's State H. M. Organizations.

OFFICERS.

1.
NEW HAMPSHIRE.
FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION,
Organized August, 1804.
AND
HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1890.
President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.
Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.
Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2.
MINNESOTA.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized September, 1872.
President, Miss Katherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.
Secretary, Miss Gertrude A. Keith, 1350 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3.
MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.*
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,
Organized February, 1880.
President, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.
Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.
Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

4.
MAINE.
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,
Organized June, 1880.
President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.
Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 168 Hammond St., Bangor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St. Bangor.

5.
MICHIGAN.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1881.
President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexander Ave., Detroit.
Secretary, Mrs. Leroy Warren, Olivet.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

6.
KANSAS.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1881.
President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.
Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

7.
OHIO.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1882.
President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St., Cleveland.
Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

8.
NEW YORK.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1883.
President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St., Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, 59 Bible House, New York City.

9.
WISCONSIN.
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1883.
President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 540 State St., Madison.
Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Jackson, 117 Washington St., Janesville.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

10.

NORTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized November, 1883.

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.

Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

11.

OREGON.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized July, 1884.

President, Mrs. John Sommerville, 108 Second St., Portland.

Secretary, Mrs. H. J. Livermore, Oregon City.

Treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 Park St., Portland.

12.

WASHINGTON.

INCLUDING NORTHERN IDAHO.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,
Organized July, 1884.

Re-organized June, 1889.

President, Mrs. N. F. Cobleigh, Walla Walla.

Secretaries—Mrs. E. Wilcox, Spokane Falls, Eastern Washington.

Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 406 Tacoma Ave., Tacoma, Western Washington.

Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Abrams, Ellensburg.

13.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized September, 1884.

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbins, Ashton.

Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Thrall, Redfield.

Treasurer, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Lake Preston.

14.

CONNECTICUT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized January, 1885.

President, Mrs. Jacob A. Biddle, 149 High St., Hartford.

Secretary, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New Britain.

Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St., Hartford.

15.

MISSOURI.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3841 Delmar Ave., St. Louis.

Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3855 Washington Ave., St. Louis.

Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St. Louis.

16.

ILLINOIS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. Isaac Claflin, Lombard.

Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington St., Chicago.

Treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Champaign.

17.

IOWA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1886.

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.

Secretary, Mrs. L. F. Berry, Ottumwa.

Treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St., Dubuque.

18.

CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
Organized October, 1887.

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 686 34th St., Oakland.

Secretary, Mrs. L. W. Eckley, 1221 Schilla St., Alameda.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St., Oakland.

19.

NEBRASKA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1887.

President, Mrs. Whittell Sanford, York.

Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Smith, 716 High St., Beatrice.

Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Whelanmaker, 24th & Vine Sts., Lincoln.

20.

FLORIDA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized February, 1888.

President, Mrs. S. F. Gale, Jacksonville.

Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Barrows, Winter Park.

Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Interlachen.

21.

INDIANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. E. C. Bell, 221 Christian Ave., Indianapolis.

Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.

Treasurer, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Michigan City.

22.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. Emma Cash, 1710 Temple St., Los Angeles.

Secretary, Mrs. H. K. W. Bent, Box 442, Pasadena.

Treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Spencer, 419 W. Second St., Los Angeles.

23.

VERMONT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. B. Swift, 167 King Street, Burlington.

Secretary, Mrs. M. K. Paine, Windsor.

Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. P. Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury.

24.

COLORADO AND EASTERN WYOMING.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1888.

President, Mrs. J. W. Pickett, White Water, Colorado.

Secretary, Mrs. Charles Westley, Denver, Colorado.

Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.

For Wyoming, Mrs. C. M. Day, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

25.

GEORGIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized November, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. F. Sherrill, 19 Highland Ave., Atlanta.

Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Kellam, 54 Marietta St., Atlanta.

Treasurer, Miss Virginia Holmes, Barnesville.

26.

ALABAMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized March, 1878.

Re-organized April, 1889.

President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.

Secretary, Miss S. S. Evans, 2519 Third Ave., Birmingham.

Treasurer, Miss M. K. Lunt, Selma.

27.

MISSISSIPPI.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Sarah Dickey, Clinton.

Secretary, Miss Alice Flagg, Tougaloo.

Treasurer, Miss Mary Gibson, Tougaloo.

25.

LOUISIANA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Jennie Fyfe, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.

Secretary, Miss Anna F. Condict, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.

Treasurer, Mrs. C. S. Shattuck, Amite City.

29.

ARKANSAS, KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE CENTRAL SOUTH ASSOCIATION,
Organized April, 1889.

President, Mrs. E. M. Cravath, Fisk University Nashville, Tenn.

Secretary, Mrs. Anna Cahill Bennett, Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.

Treasurer, Mrs. Joseph Smith, Chattanooga.

30.

NORTH CAROLINA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized October, 1889.

President, Miss M. E. Wilcox, Beaufort.

Secretary, Miss A. E. Farrington, Raleigh.

Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. S. Smith, 116 W. South St. Raleigh.

31.

TEXAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized March, 1890.

President, Mrs. S. E. Acheson, 1219 W. Woodard St., Denison.

Secretary, Mrs. M. A. McCoy, 190 No. Harwood St., Dallas.

Treasurer, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Lock Box 220, Dallas.

32.

MONTANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1890.

President, Mrs. F. D. Kelsey, Helena.

Secretary, Mrs. W. S. Bell, 416 Dearborn Ave. Helena.

Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Wallace, Billings.

33.

PENNSYLVANIA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. W. H. Osterhout, Ridgway.

Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Yennie, Ridgway.

Treasurer, Mrs. T. W. Jones, 218 So. 37th St. Philadelphia.

34.

OKLAHOMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized October, 1890.

President, Miss M. McConnell, Guthrie.

Secretary, Mrs. L. E. Kimball, Guthrie.

Treasurer, Mrs. L. S. Childs, Choctaw City.

35.

NEW JERSEY.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION OF THE

NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION, INCLUDING DIST.

COLUMBIA, MARYLAND, AND VIRGINIA.

Organized March, 1891.

President, Mrs. J. R. D. Noyes, 163 Union St., Montclair.

Secretary, Mrs. W. O. Weeden, Upper Montclair.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Denison, 150 Belleville Ave., Newark.

36.

UTAH,

INCLUDING SOUTHERN IDAHO AND WESTERN WYOMING.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,

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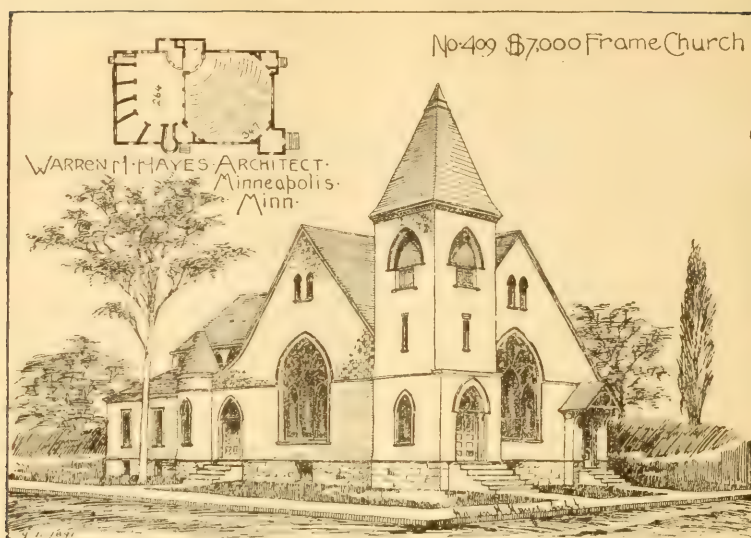
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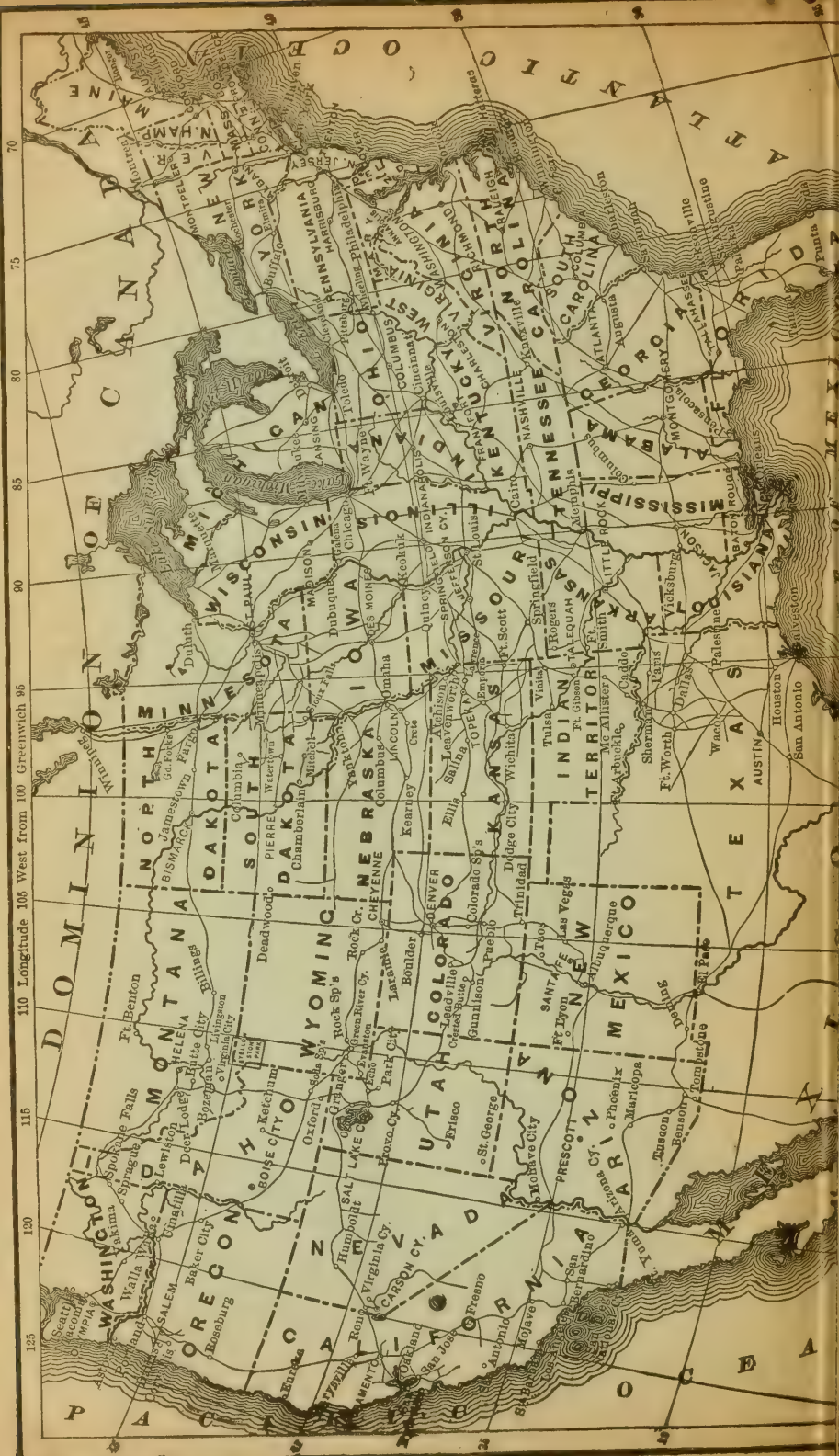
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IF THOU HAD'ST KNOWN.

BY A HOME MISSIONARY.

ONE reason why the Church should put forth a great effort to evangelize America is that the Church will suffer great loss herself if she does not grasp and use this present opportunity to the glory of God.

When the Lord Jesus stood and looked over upon Jerusalem he said: "If thou hadst known the things which belong unto thy peace; but now are they hid from thine eyes; for the days shall come upon thee that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, and shall lay thee even with the ground, and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another, *because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.*"

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We have come, in this work of missions, to the stream where the men of Gideon were tested, and beyond that river there is no room for those who love this world, and turn aside to drink their fill of earth's pleasure. But there is room for the true-hearted ones; there is room for those who see only the victory to be won, and are ready to launch themselves upon the foe, shouting "The sword of the Lord! The sword of the Lord!"

And, oh, men and women who profess to love God and follow Christ, I charge you by the name you bear, by the heaven you hope for, and by the hell you are to escape, let not this great surging mass of human beings go by you into perdition. If the Church fails in this trust, God will remove the candlestick out of its place. If the Church of Christ in America shall prove so lukewarm as not to meet this mighty emergency God will spue it out of his mouth. God has given, is giving, wonderful opportunity. With OPPORTUNITY there is POWER; and with opportunity and power there is a corresponding measure of RESPONSIBILITY.

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BY A MINNESOTA HOME MISSIONARY.

THE question has been asked, "What shall we do to arouse the churches to come forward more promptly and more liberally with their gifts to the cause of Home Missions?" It seems to me the first thing to do is to arouse the pastors of the churches, especially the pastors of self-supporting churches. The home missionary pastor does not need much arousing. If the fact that he has to wait for his salary and suffer the consequent worry is not sufficiently stimulating, he would not be aroused though one rose from the dead. I should think that one way to arouse our pastors would be to send out, in leaflet form, the stirring appeal recently published in our church papers, with an earnest request to read the same in the pulpit, and press the matter home to the hearts of the people, and take a contribution then and there for the home missionary work. That would serve to lift the present burden at least. Yes, I am sure the great thing to do is *to stir the hearts of the pastors and get them thoroughly interested in the work.*

I would suggest further that, wherever practicable, home missionary meetings be held, with addresses from two or three persons on Home Missions, as is customary in England. And if our Home Missionary Superintendents and some of our prominent city pastors could help in these meetings it would be a great stimulus, especially in the smaller towns and country churches. I know this would mean extra work, but I believe it would pay in more ways than one. At any rate, it is worth trying.—*Rev. S. Stone.*

THE POSSIBILITIES OF A DOLLAR.

BY A HOME MISSIONARY IN NORTH DAKOTA.

IN the summer of 1888 Brother X——, who was laboring in a neighboring field, gave me one dollar toward building a church in ——, where I was then located. I was in doubt as to its acceptance, because it involved responsibility, and there seemed then little prospect of securing a church building in that place. However, it was accepted to be applied in the direction intended whenever the opportunity came.

The season of 1888 was a partial failure of crops on account of frost in our State, and so a church building was out of the question for that year. The following season, 1889, was a failure from drought, and the prospect of a church was further away than ever. I did not know whether to stick to my field and carry through my purpose or to remove to another where the prospects would be more encouraging.

I determined to stay, and when the spring of 1890 and the summer of the same year came I watched the prospect very closely, intending, if things were favorable, to push through the church building work. In the early part of the season the prospect was excellent for a large crop, and when the wheat crop fairly covered the fields I consulted some of our people about the church building matter. They all admitted it would be a good thing, but how to accomplish it they knew not with the many debts the people had to meet after the previous seasons of failure. I saw that if I waited for the people to get ready I would have to wait some time longer. So I decided to ask a ministerial brother to come and help me start the matter. He came, and we went to our first man, from whom I expected at least \$100, but received promise of only \$50 and hard work at that. We tried another man with whom I thought we could do better. But \$50 was the high-tide mark with him also. In a few days the town site owner made his appearance, and we got \$100 from him, and by the second Sunday I was able to announce the church building a certainty, for we had now over \$1,000 subscribed.

I had worked the matter a little more, when the hot winds came and withered away one half the crop and injured the other half. It was somewhat depressing to watch the long faces of my farmer subscribers, who spoke discouragingly of doing anything further in the matter. To add to my embarrassment, I was somewhat skeptical myself about it. But in talking the matter over with one man, he told me if we did not go ahead he would not consider his promise obligatory. This proved useful to me, and I worked this new lever all I could, and continued to work up my list so as to have a margin in case of shrinkage, which I fully expected.

So at last the contract was let, the lumber was brought to the ground, the building site—the best that the little town possessed—was secured, and the foundation was laid, a good solid one too. Then the workmen put up the skeleton church, which was soon inclosed and the roof placed over it. The most skeptical could not now disbelieve their eyes, and some of the croakers changed their song and said that the church could never be paid for.

As soon as the structure was put up and the inside work was commenced I began collecting the money, and watched every opportunity to get more of it in. I had some amusing things occur in connection with this part of the work; but I went at it good-naturedly, and by the time that the work was finished the contractor had received a large installment of his pay. The money continued to come in, and the larger bills were met the same fall, and in the course of a year a church property worth some \$2,600 was all paid for and dedicated free of debt.

Thus *one dollar* became the nucleus of the fund which secured a

commodious and comfortable house of worship to a community very much in need of it.

A BRAVE WOMAN.

Our reading-room was opened in the early part of this month. The building, which was formerly used for a store, is thirty by twenty feet. The back part has been partitioned off for a kitchen and bedroom. A dear old lady, a member of our church, has been placed in charge. She is very brave to sleep in the building all alone; it is in the very heart of the town, in close proximity to several saloons and gambling dens. Last Saturday night and early Sunday morning several shots were fired about the place, and some of the bullets struck the building. We think it was an attempt to frighten her into giving up this good work. But the enemy does not know what are the staying powers of such faithful Christians. This sister believes that the Lord has a work for her to do in this reading-room, and can't be induced to give it up by orders or threats from his adversaries. She has a wonderful influence over young men and boys. Last Sunday she gathered quite a number and induced them to come to church; some have promised to attend Sunday-school if she will be their teacher.

I am sure our friends will rejoice that already the influence of the reading-room and those associated with it is being felt for good.—*Rev. W. H. Watson, Red Lodge, Montana.*

FALLEN AT HIS POST.—Our missionary at Williston, North Dakota, Rev. Andrew H. Nelson, passed into rest in the early morning of February 1, aged 39 years, 3 months, and 24 days. He had been in poor health for three years, and an attack of la grippe carried him off after an illness of only a few days. Mr. Nelson was of Danish descent, and had been engaged in Christian work for about twenty-five years, preaching a larger part of the time. For about a year and a half he was General Missionary in North Dakota for the Scandinavian work, resigning it last fall because it seemed too hard for him. Soon after arrangements were made for him to take the work at Williston, being the first minister to go there and live. Though a difficult and discouraging field at the start, Mr. Nelson was singularly successful there. The people turned out in large numbers to hear him and gave him a very warm welcome. Every one seemed so glad he had come there to preach the Gospel. Arrangements were already being made for the erection of a house for him. Could he have lived a grand work would certainly have been done there. Death brought no terror to him. He was ready. Conscious to the very last, when he could not speak he pointed upward. Faithful and earnest

in the Master's service, loving it more than life, struggling against failing health, he is now at rest. His funeral was held at Williston, February 3, and was very largely attended, the entire community mourning his loss. The services were conducted by Rev. E. H. Stickney, who went four hundred miles to attend the funeral. He leaves a devoted wife and four young children to mourn his loss. They are in very destitute circumstances, and will need the kindly help of God's people. Anything sent to Rev. H. C. Simmons, Fargo, North Dakota, will be very carefully used for them.

A REMINISCENCE.

I WAS deeply interested in the Oregon number of *The Home Missionary*. The accounts of the trials and hardships of the early missionaries are of thrilling interest; and as I read each page in order my mind went back to the time when I first heard of Oregon and the Rockies. When I was a boy in Connecticut—I think it was in 1837 or '38—a missionary from Oregon, accompanied by an Indian boy belonging to the Flathead tribe, visited Norwich. I remember the great interest that was felt in the address of one coming from a region so far away. The Indian boy made a few remarks in broken English. A shawl made by Indians from wool from the Rocky Mountain goat, was shown, and was considered a great curiosity. I was a little fellow at the time, but the occasion made a deep impression on my mind. A hymn, printed on slips for the occasion, was sung. I have never seen it in a hymn-book. It seems prophetic in view of what has already been accomplished. I can repeat a portion of it from memory:

From o'er the Rocky Mountains,
Where prairies wide are spread,
Where streams from forest fountains
Flow west to ocean's bed,—
See savage men descending
To Mississippi's vale,
Their eager eyes still bending
An eastern light to hail.

For they have heard a story
Of God's most Holy Book,
All filled with light and glory,
On which their eyes may look.
And they, like Eastern sages
Who journeyed from afar,
Have traveled weary stages
To find the Savior's star.

Yes, red men, here forth beaming
God's Book shines strong and free,
And soon its radiance gleaming
Your children's eyes shall see;
Soon beauteous on yon mountain
Shall Gospel's herald stand,
And then shall Zion's fountain
Stream gladness through your land.

—E. L. Champlin, U. S. Civil Service Com., Washington, D. C.

FROM THE NOTE BOOK OF A GERMAN PASTOR'S WIFE.

[Our readers who listened with so much interest to the words of Mrs. Ficke last June, at the Saratoga Meeting, will read with pleasure these extracts from her note book.]

Our annual meeting was held October 18. It was also an anniversary gathering, since, four years ago, the corner-stone was laid, and one year after Immanuel Kirche, Dubuque, Iowa, was dedicated. The reports were all most encouraging, particularly that from the Sunday-school which showed an enrollment during the year of considerably over 400, while a corrected list, shows the present membership to be 391. The Sunday-school has raised, for benevolence and church work, \$319. All the children come from German families, and, with one exception teachers also. A large hall has been fitted up in the basement of the church for the primary classes of our school. The material used for this room, costing over \$130, was furnished by the Sunday-school and Young People's societies, while most of the work was done by men of the church by lamp light, who for weeks worked in this way, until 10 and 10:30, night after night. The pastor also used hammer and saw, whenever other duties would permit, and now rejoices, since he believes that the usefulness of our church will be increased thereby.

In September it was decided, in a meeting of the church and society, to erect a parsonage as soon as possible upon the site of our former house of worship. Removing the old church, grading the lot, making the necessary walls, with ways for raising funds, occupy the attention of all. We hope to have everything in readiness to begin work early in the spring upon a building which is to cost not less than \$2,000, or more than \$2,500. Expenses for grading, etc., not to be included.

Our Christian Endeavor Society is doing good work in its meetings, using the German language, much to the surprise of some who have croakingly said, "Our young people *will* speak English."

The first Sunday evening of each month we have a wholly English service, for which our young people have bought a full supply of Gospel Hymns.

Recently the pastor imported from Germany, and presented to the church, for the largest Sunday-school room, the Apostles' Creed and the eight Beatitudes, beautifully illuminated, the latter with flowers suitable to each. The cost of framing was borne by the Sunday-school, while the Young People's Society put an oak moulding around the room to correspond with the frames. These pictures have been much admired, and it is hoped will be a means of good, for while teaching a sacred lesson they give artistic training also.

We rejoice that so much can here be shown as the result of a pastorate of over twenty-three years; but while rejoicing we are sad, for surely there are other fields that would have yielded a richer harvest for these many years of unceasing toil.

For this church to gain a footing was unusually difficult, as when it was organized other denominations had possession, and there seemed to be no room for this German Protestant Church in a community then having a German population of only about 8,000, a population, too, largely Roman Catholic. From the beginning also, many removals have been a hindrance, death has claimed some of the most faithful, at times when it seemed they could least be spared. Proselytism, too, has been an enemy against which we had no weapon; but, in spite of all, there has been a steady growth, faithful and loving members have held up the weary hands, and always there have been those willing to aid when anything was to be done for the church or Sunday-school.—*Congregational Iowa.*

A SIDE LIGHT.—The daily papers of last week gave sickening accounts of affairs in the mining districts of Indiana, where the miners were on a strike. A mob of women, half crazed by hunger, made a furious attack on a “blackleg” train; cursing and screaming they pelted the train with stones, and as it came to a standstill made a furious onslaught upon the men coming to take the places of the striking miners—husbands, brothers, and sons of these women. The “Tribune” says: “Fortunately for the men, they were well armed, and soon drove their savage assailants back. Several of the miners were severely bruised with blows from the clubs the women carried, though none were seriously injured. There were several hand-to-hand conflicts, but the women were weak from want of food, and were easily overpowered.” What a commentary upon a Christian government that has permitted the growth of conditions which render such a thing possible. One of these conditions is hinted at by the statement that when the women had vented their spleen, they, with their husbands, returned to Caseyville, “where, in spite of their want, they managed to procure enough liquor to wind up the performance with a roaring carouse.” Oh, the pity of it, the horror of it, that such things can be in the last decade of the nineteenth century; and Christian men and women sit with folded hands, and deem the cause of this woe too insignificant to claim any attention!—*Union Signal.*

[Our Missionary, Rev. James Hayes, has been making an effort to start a Sunday-school at Caseyville, and bring that town under the influence of the “Coal Mine Mission.” The train alluded to passes within hailing distance of our parsonage at Coal Bluff.]

Woman's Department.

THE SUPREME LOVE.

"SEPARATED unto Jesus? Not unto a doctrine, nor an experience, nor a company of holy people, nor even unto holiness; but *unto Jesus himself*. Deaf and blind to all but Christ! The heart closed to all but the 'Beloved.' Dead to all else because so gloriously alive to Jesus! The crystalline purity of such an experience is beyond expression. If heretofore the heart was dead indeed unto sin by faith's reckonings, now it is slain by love. The holy deadness to the opinions of others is unconstrained and natural, because of the jubilant delight in the smile of Christ, that eclipses all the smiles and frowns of men. Such a one sees no man save 'Jesus only.' He even forgets to scrutinize himself. The joyous bride of the Heavenly King does not think to search her motives to see that they are all love, so spontaneous is her heart's devotion. And the world is left so far behind that she has forgotten to notice her separation therefrom. Separation unto Christ makes holiness natural."

PERSONAL MESSAGES.

FROM A YOUNG PIONEER MISSIONARY WIFE —We live on the prairie, more than twenty miles from a railroad. My husband is depressed in spirit to-day because the people don't come in larger numbers to church this winter; but the winter weather as a whole has been unfavorable. These people are not prepared with warm clothing to face the searching winds. Did I tell you that the people gave him an overcoat Thanksgiving Day? I tell him that if trouble comes to him he will see how loyally they will rally around him, but that their religious consciences are not yet sufficiently awakened to bring them miles to church on stormy Sundays. Besides, that which *may* happen at any moment terrifies us here. Without warning a blizzard may sweep over the prairie—and past experience has taught its bitter lesson. During the Week of Prayer we held meetings at the houses of our people. In spite of the falling thermometer a faithful few faced the weather.

I had a missionary tea at my house just before New Year's, which was a very pleasant affair. It was a splendid help in getting new members to our Missionary Society.

Do you really mean it, when you ask for items about my home life? Do you wish to know the contrivances necessary to comfort in such a place as this? Shall I draw the curtain at this moment and let you see my husband cutting ice from a ditch near by, and wheeling it to the house to melt for water? Dare I confess that we bring the eggs into the par-

lor every night because our kitchen seems to be located in the immediate vicinity of the North Pole on every cold night? Will you laugh with us at our warm buggy robe, manufactured from an old bed-ticking, or at our superannuated horse-blanket, made of sundry fragments of blankets and burlap? The wind played so freely through the open spaces in the bottom of our old buggy that this robe is a rare treasure. Do you see our front door boarded up, our north window boarded up, and that side of the house banked up with sods to the eaves? And yet we feel the draughts on a windy day, because we have no double windows. But I assure you we are happy in our work, and really much more comfortable than many of our people. We have many blessings for which we are very thankful.

A pleasant thing happened lately. A Christian woman in Boston subscribed for a paper and a magazine for me, as a Christmas present. This kind thought is most highly appreciated.

I didn't mean to write all this. I am ashamed to have spoken of our trifling hardships. When I read of the real hardships which so many of our missionaries endure I ought not to give even a passing thought to my little troubles. May God prepare us, through these, for greater sacrifices; for it is those who live nearest to the heart of Christ who endure the most for him.

FROM NEBRASKA.—The "Sod Parsonage," in *The Home Missionary* for January, is the home of Rev. J. B. Brown, a man well known in every Nebraska church as the "Children's Missionary." Mr. Brown came into the Congregational work in 1889, and was given a field by Superintendent Bross in Box Butte County, in the northwestern part of Nebraska, one of the frontierest of frontier fields, situated in a beautiful valley, which was being rapidly settled with intelligent, enterprising families from the East, but who were putting all their worldly stores (if, indeed, they brought any, for many came with only strong hands and brave hearts, hoping there to secure a home for their growing families) into the simple homes. No church of *any* denomination graced that valley for over twenty miles, and the people were left to fill the sacred Sabbath hours with any pastime which presented itself, while many were hungering and longing for the accustomed service of former days. Many of them were members in good standing with some evangelical church.

The county has been about four years in settling, and owing to the newness of the country and the drought of the three preceding years, failure of crops has greeted them so continually that there was no opportunity to raise money for gospel work, and many homes of the first settlers had never been entered by a minister of the gospel until Mr. Brown took up the work.

This year his field has been changed to Sheridan and Grant Counties, and he has charge of four stations in the sand hills, three of which have been organized into churches under his care, and his support given to the children of Nebraska to provide.

The little sod house in the cut is the home Mr. Brown prepared during the fall and winter of 1890 at Lakeside, Sheridan Co., one of his stations, where he planned to make a home for his three motherless boys, aged ten, twelve, and thirteen years, that they might be with him and also have the advantages of a school; but before the completion of the home the Angel came and took all three to a home in the many mansions. Mr. Brown's words to the writer were, "God has taken them to himself, and three little mounds on the top of a knoll is all I have on earth of my beautiful boys. I have not lost any of my trust in my Heavenly Father, but I feel very lonely." And our brave, noble brother is now devoting all his strength to the work of saving souls. With a pony and cart he drives eighteen miles between his appointments to preach, and during the week visits the families, giving consolation, advice, and encouragement.

The field has been given entirely into the hands of the children's mission societies of Nebraska, and they not only raise Mr. Brown's salary, but are supplying some of the temporal wants of the people. Many of the Bands are scattering periodicals after being read among the children, while others will prepare clothing for the destitute.

FROM OKLAHOMA.—You will be pleased to hear from your "Baby" again, no doubt. We women held a meeting in connection with the recent semiannual meeting of the Territorial Association. We were allowed an hour on their program, and it was well filled. After a few moments spent in a devotional service conducted by Mrs. J. H. Parker, we heard the reports of societies by the delegates present and the letters from those not present, showing an increase of interest and finances. Superintendent Doe, being present, gave us some interesting items of our connection with the A. H. M. S. and its need of money. He urged us not to hold any money in our treasury, but to keep sending it on, that it may be doing something where so much is needed. He answered many questions. This was a great benefit to all who heard. Mrs. Parker gave a short talk on being interested in missionary work, followed by a lively discussion.

FROM KANSAS.—Because of the present condition of your treasury, and because Superintendent Broad has asked us to do so, the Executive Committee of our Union have voted to raise \$1,000 for your Society as soon as possible. This decision is a great relief to us. I shall send you \$420 at once as an earnest of what we hope to do.



DRILL QUESTIONS FOR THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.

19. How many special dangers threaten our country now?

Ans. Eight. Mormonism, Mammonism, Romanism, Socialism, Anarchism, Infidelity, Intemperance, and Ignorance.

20. What is Mormonism?

Ans. It is the doctrine of the Mormons, a sect in our country who are followers of a man named Joseph Smith, who died nearly fifty years ago. Joseph Smith told wicked lies. He said he could work miracles. He said he had found a new book of the Bible called the "Book of Mormon," and he said it was written on plates of gold.

21. Did people in this country believe him?

Ans. Yes; hundreds and thousands believed him and called him a prophet.

22. Is the Mormon Church, which he founded, very strong?

Ans. Yes; it is one of the strongest churches in all the world.

23. Why is it so strong?

Ans. Because all the people are under the control of one man.

24. How many people are there now in the Mormon Church, and how much of our land do they possess?

Ans. There are 165,218 people in the Mormon Church, and they hold a tract of our land as large as England and Ireland and Scotland and France put together.

BULLETINS.

FROM CALIFORNIA, SOUTHERN.—We gave your Rally Exercise in our Sunday-school. Forty-one soldiers were enlisted, and we send you

\$13.95. Please send us some more Enrollment Cards, because our boys and girls will be joining some time yet. There are so many calls upon us that we cannot send you a large sum, but we hope our small amount will help.

FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Our school is a small mission school, and we have not been trained to give for missions, but we did respond with much enthusiasm to your call for volunteers in the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army. We hope to make a valuable accession to the missionary force of the old Granite State one of these days. We pray that the Lord will multiply his laborers, and constrain his church to give them a comfortable support and a rich harvest of souls.

FROM NORTH DAKOTA —The Rally Sunday was so cold and stormy we had to give up the Exercise; but I have succeeded in getting some recruits for your Boys' and Girls' Army, who have paid what they were able to become members. Two little German girls could give only one penny each, but I enrolled them. The children are very enthusiastic, but having very few pennies, cannot give much, but they can pray and study.

FROM OHIO.—I am one of the Marthas living on a farm. We received your papers about the Boys' and Girls' Rally, and it did seem just the time for us to strike. Our boys and girls have been wanting some such thing so long, but we didn't know how to go to work. This tells us just how; but there is an "if" in the way. Ours is a very poor country church. We haven't known much about missions, and so we haven't given much. Now we are somewhat aroused, and want to do something; but we are trying to make our barren old church building more inviting by getting new carpets, papering the walls, etc. The children are helping us, and so we do not see how they can send you much money. How can we fix it? They want to belong to the Army, and still they must help us about this tumble-down old church. What shall we do? Please send the Exercise and cards, and tell us how to solve this problem. Pardon me for writing so much. I am not good at condensing. I will now try my luck at condensing cream into butter, and I know I shall succeed better. Yours with best wishes for the success of the whole Army.

FROM SOUTH DAKOTA.—Mrs. Ward's children, in the Lesterville Sunday-school, kept Rally Day. You would have been interested to see those little half-Americanized children going through the Exercise. Then how eagerly they crowded up with their dimes to get the cards! If our large rich schools gave in proportion to their means, as has this little struggling school, the treasury of the dear Mother Society would not be empty long.

HE TOOK THE WHIPPING.

ON one of the Dakota prairies there had never been a Sunday-school. The children heard their mothers tell about the Sunday-school "back East," and they wanted one very much indeed. The mothers always said, "When the Missionary Society can send us a missionary we shall have a Sunday-school."

One day, to the great joy of the children, this very thing happened. A missionary and his wife came to live among them on the prairie, and would open a Sunday-school the very next Sunday in a deserted school-house, if anybody could find a way to heat it. There was a stove; but it was difficult to get fuel. Why? Because there were so few trees, and it is so hard to keep those few alive, nobody would think of using even one branch for fire-wood. The people used "twisted hay" to cook with at home; but it was all they could do to twist enough for their own use. How do they twist it to burn? Well, they take enough hay to make a hay strip about a yard and a half long, and about as thick as a man's wrist. Then they twist this up into a figure 8, about the size of a stick of wood. It reminds one of an old-fashioned New England giant doughnut!

But how was that school-house to be heated for the Sunday-school? A plucky boy thought out a way. He arose very early one Sunday morning, and taking a basket on his arm, walked quite a distance to the railroad track, and then walked on the track until he filled his basket with coal which had fallen from the engines. This he bravely carried to the school-house, and a happy company of children had a "real Sunday-school." After this the school depended upon our plucky Bob for fuel.

Now, I am sorry to tell you that this dear boy's father was not a Christian, and did not approve of the missionary or the Sunday-school. When he heard what his boy had been doing he was very angry, and said,

"Bob, I'll beat you within an inch of your life if you get another basket of coal for that Sunday-school."

Bob had a pretty good excuse to lie in bed the next Sunday morning instead of trudging off at daylight with his basket, but after thinking it over and laying the matter before his Heavenly Father (for Bob had become a Christian under the influence of the missionary), he decided to get the coal for the Sunday-school just the same and then take the whipping. This he did for several Sabbaths until his father's heart was melted, and he owned up that "there must be something in the kind of religion his boy had got hold of."

My young soldiers, this always happens. When a true soldier of Christ loves his Captain enough to bravely live the true Christ-life, the bitterest opposer to Christ will *think*, if he does not *say*, "There must be something in *that* religion. I wish I had it!"

MISSIONARY MUSIC.

HAVE you ever brought a penny to the missionary box—
A penny which you might have spent like other little folks?
And when it falls among the rest, have you ever heard a ring
Like a pleasant sound of welcome which the other pennies sing?

This is missionary music, and it has a pleasant sound,
For pennies make a shilling, and shillings make a pound,
And many pounds together the Gospel news will send,
Which tell the distant heathen that the Savior is their friend.

And, oh! what joyous music is the missionary song,
When it seems to come from every heart, and sounds from every tongue;
When happy Christian little ones all sing with one accord
Of the time when realms of darkness shall be kingdoms of the Lord!

But sweeter far than all which Jesus loves to hear,
Are children's voices, when they breathe a missionary prayer;
And many a one from distant lands will reach his heavenly home
In answer to the children's prayer, "O Lord, thy kingdom come."

Then, missionary children, let this music never cease;
Work on, work on in earnest for the Lord, the Prince of Peace.
There is praying work and paying work for every heart and hand.
Till the missionary chorus shall go forth through all the land.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.



*This Certifies that _____ by the
payment of _____ is enrolled a soldier in the
Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army*

David B. Lee } Hon. Sec.
Alex. McClapp } Treas'r.

Jos. Bourne Clark } Secs.
Wm. Kimball }
Washington Chvate }

THE ENROLLMENT CARD.

THIS card is your CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP in the Army. It is to be filled out, and kept by you as a reminder of the cause in which you have enlisted. *Please remember, these cards are not to be returned to us.* We hope the enrollment fee will be at least a dime; but even less will enlist a soldier. These cards will be sent free on application to the American Home Missionary Society, 34 Bible House, New York City.

ARMY RECEIPTS.

TOTAL FROM RALLY DAY TO FEBRUARY 15.

[See editorial note.]

<i>Regiment.</i>	<i>Companies.</i>	<i>Receipts.</i>
Alabama.....	1	\$1 00
Arkansas.....	1	4 00
Arizona.....	1	5 80
California.....	8	74 65
Colorado.....	2	12 30
Connecticut.....	49	518 97
District of Columbia.....	2	9 69
Florida.....	4	21 42
Illinois.....	2	15 50
Indiana.....	7	76 23
Indian Territory.....	1	7 47
Iowa.....	5	21 25
Kansas.....	3	3 78
Maine.....	19	126 30
Massachusetts.....	77	985 34
Michigan.....	21	124 06
Minnesota.....	15	105 26
Mississippi.....	1	3 36
Missouri.....	9	37 70
Montana.....	2	7 12
Nebraska.....	10	76 14
New Hampshire.....	12	85 89
New Jersey.....	2	22 17
New York.....	26	307 75
North Carolina.....	3	7 82
North Dakota.....	4	47 45
Ohio.....	16	121 51
Oklahoma.....	5	25 39
Oregon.....	3	18 76
Pennsylvania.....	10	48 90
Rhode Island.....	6	111 09
South Dakota.....	9	101 86
Tennessee.....	2	3 00
Vermont.....	25	147 36
Virginia.....	1	3 85
Washington.....	21	190 15
Wisconsin.....	5	35 00
Wyoming.....	1	5 00

 \$3,520 29

Editorial.

TREASURY NOTE.

IN the first eleven months of the current (sixty-sixth) financial year the receipts at the treasury of the National Society have been as follows :

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$13,542 54	\$17,280 43	\$30,822 97
May.....	24,052 85	3,223 02	27,275 87
June.....	15,608 82	6,907 54	22,516 36
July.....	13,919 50	13,852 15	27,771 65
August.....	8,197 04	10,551 90	18,748 94
September.....	16,819 54	15,352 35	32,171 89
October.....	19,110 91	19,778 26	38,889 17
November.....	21,628 21	13,276 38	34,904 59
December.....	31,447 24	12,827 39	44,274 63
January, 1892.....	35,603 46	15,518 13	51,121 59
February, “.....	28,434 77	18,680 00	47,114 77
	<hr/> \$228,364 88	<hr/> \$147,247 55	<hr/> \$375,612 43

The receipts in the corresponding months of 1890-'91 were:

	<i>Contributions.</i>	<i>Legacies.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
April.....	\$20,306 48	\$3,723 85	\$24,030 33
May.....	14,969 79	2,066 64	17,036 43
June.....	11,845 88	2,163 11	14,008 99
July.....	25,145 31	17,236 06	42,381 37
August.....	14,235 36	5,642 46	19,877 82
September.....	16,241 59	1,664 53	17,906 12
October.....	13,877 18	24,891 58	38,768 76
November.....	10,685 13	2,084 57	12,769 70
December.....	36,779 25	26,540 00	63,319 25
January, 1891.....	42,022 84	17,868 02	59,890 83
February, “.....	36,659 53	14,150 38	50,809 96
	<hr/> \$242,768 39	<hr/> \$118,031 20	<hr/> \$360,799 59

Those of our readers who follow our monthly statements will see that these eleven months show a gain in legacies of \$29,216.35, and a loss of \$14,403.43 in contributions—an advance of less than \$15,000 from all sources over the state of the treasury on the 1st of March, 1891. The Society's obligations at the bank remain where they have been for months.

past; but we are happy to say that its dues to missionaries who have reported labor prior to March 1st have been met.

The exact condition of the treasury has been kept plainly before the friends of the cause through the entire eleven months. The facts have carried their own strong plea for help. Special attention has been called to them by an urgent appeal from the Executive Committee, published in the papers friendly to the denomination, and sent personally to clergymen and others presumed to be most deeply interested in the work. Special meetings have been held with influential churches, abundant literature has been sent from this office, personal correspondence and visitation have been freely used, every method that seemed to have promise in it has been resorted to—and yet the gifts of the living have fallen more than \$14,000 behind those of last year at this time.

Another fact remains: that when this page reaches our readers most of them will have less than two weeks in which to carry out any unfulfilled purpose of doing more for Home Missions this year, and making it possible to render at Washington in the last week of May a brighter report of work accomplished in the sixty-sixth year, and of work planned for the sixty-seventh, than can be truthfully offered to-day.

Pastors, Sunday-school superintendents and teachers, executors holding the consecrated offerings of the dead, men and women whom the Lord has intrusted with the outlay of large portions of His wealth, children of the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army, Christian Endeavorers, Extra-Cent-a-Day Bands, debtors in thank-offerings for ten thousand mercies received,—many of these new-comers into the Redeemer's saving love—the time is short. When we were perishing in sin He *ran* to our relief. Shall we be laggard in the service He asks at our hands and makes it our highest privilege to render?

THE MEETING AT WASHINGTON.

THE Executive Committee have accepted the very cordial invitation of the First Church, in Washington, D. C., to hold the next anniversary of the Society with that church, in that city, May 24, 25, and 26. Full particulars of hotel and boarding house accommodation are published in this issue. Railroad fares will be published in the papers.

Washington is an attractive city, with ample facilities for such a meeting. It is as accessible to the West as Saratoga, and not inconvenient to New England. It is the doorway to the New South, which has become of late years a most attractive and fruitful field for the Society's work. In every respect Washington seems suited for a large Home Missionary gathering. Let the friends of Home Missions make their plans to be there!

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING.

ACCOMMODATIONS AT WASHINGTON.

The following hotels and boarding-houses have made arrangements to accommodate guests at the approaching Anniversary, May 24-26, at the rates named.

It is to be noted:

1. This list contains room for at least 1,000 people at a price not to exceed \$2 a day.

2. It will be possible nearer the time of the anniversary for the local committee to control places for quite a large number more at the lower prices, say \$1 per day.

3. The accommodations at \$1.50 are excellent. The "Lincoln" (quite near the church) will probably be able to accommodate seventy-five persons at that rate.

4. The Committee have so far tried to keep the accommodations within walking distance of the church. Save in two or three cases, they are all within seven squares and most of them much nearer.

5. The "St. James," on Pennsylvania Ave., will accommodate over fifty, making price of room 75 cents for each person per day, and bringing the total per day not over \$2.

6. All the addresses given are in the northwest of the city. Hundreds more can be accommodated by going a little farther from the church along street-car lines.

7. All communications sent to the Committee for places should be addressed to Dr. P. C. Claffin, 907 F St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

HOUSES AT \$1 PER DAY.

Mrs. Taggart, 1512 T St., N. W.; Miss Cherry, 1929 Pennsylvania Ave.; Mr. Frame, 129 C St., N. E.

\$1.25 PER DAY.

Temple Café, 606 9th St.; D. H. Clark, 1121 I St.; S. A. Gover, 918 H St.; Mrs. Householder, 918 I St.

\$1.50 PER DAY.

Strathmore Arms, 810 12th St.; Hotel Lincoln, Cor. 10th and H Sts.; The Franklin, 1332, I St.; The Evans, 924 F St.; The Aston, 11th and G Sts.; The Baltimore, 807 H St.; Sealeys, 1012 12th St.; The Rochester, Cor. 13th and G Sts.; Mrs. Chamblin, 721 8th St.; Mrs. Perryman, 933 New York Ave.; Mrs. Stone, 928 K St.; Mrs. Hart, 900 K St.; Mrs. Hopper, 932 K St.; Mrs. Kant, 20 Grant St.; Mr. Taylor, 1218 11th St.; Mrs. Shackelford, 17 Grant St.; Mrs. Madeira, 921 I St.; Mrs. Denny, 801 12th St.; S. S. House, 1222 H St.; Mrs. Winslow, 922 I St.; Mrs. Bliss, 1012 14th St.; The Litchfield, 906 14th St.

\$1.75 PER DAY.

Mrs. Greenfield, 1321 N St.

\$2 PER DAY.

The Belvidere, 4½ St. and Pennsylvania Ave.; The Fredonia, H St. Bet. 13th and 14th Sts.; The Elinboro, 1006 I St.; Mrs. Devendorf, 10th and Grant Sts.; Hotel Windsor, New York Ave. and 15th St.; Mrs. Stacey, 945 K St.; The Woodmont, Iowa Circle; American Hotel, 7th and Pennsylvania Ave.

\$2.50 PER DAY.

The Elsmere, 1408 H St.; The Langham, 1333 H St.; The Metropolitan, Pennsylvania Ave. Bet. 6th and 7th Sts.; The National, Pennsylvania Ave. bet. 4½ and 6th Sts.; The Randall, Pennsylvania Ave. and 15th St.; The Hamilton, 14th and K Sts.; The Ebbitt, 14th and F Sts.; Wormley's 15th and H Sts.

\$3 PER DAY.

Willard's, Pennsylvania Ave. and 14th St.

\$3.50 PER DAY.

Riggs House, G and 15th Sts.

\$4 PER DAY.

Hotel Normandie, 15th and I Sts.; The Cochran, 14th and K Sts.

EUROPEAN PLAN.

St. James, 6th St. and Pennsylvania Ave.

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

By an amendment to the Constitution of the Society, passed at the last Annual Meeting, it is the privilege of every Congregational Church in the United States annually contributing to the Treasury of the Society, or to that of any of its Auxiliaries, to elect each year two persons who shall be known as Annual Members of the Society. These persons attending the meeting at Washington will have all the rights for the year that belong to Life Members. Let every church in the country magnify its privilege and send two of its loyal members to the great convocation at Washington!

WOMAN'S ORGANIZATIONS.—The Woman's State Home Missionary Organizations will meet in the lecture-room of the First Congregational Church, Washington, D. C. (S. M. Newman, D.D., pastor), on Tuesday, May 24, at two o'clock, P.M. All who are interested in work for our country are cordially invited to be present. It is too early to announce definitely the topics to be treated at that time, but they will be of interest

and importance to all homeland workers and will be presented by women of practical experience who have made a study of these subjects.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO OFFICERS OF THE WOMAN'S STATE UNIONS.—You are hereby notified to meet in the lecture-room of the First Congregational Church, Washington, D. C., on Tuesday, May 24, at 9:45 A.M.

WHY was not the contribution from our Sunday-school acknowledged among the Rally Receipts of the Boys' and Girls' Army?

Because your message accompanying the money was this: "Please find inclosed a check from our Sunday-school." This check may or may not represent a Rally contribution through the use of our enrollment cards. A definite statement on your part will secure proper acknowledgment in *The Home Missionary*.

Appointments in February, 1892.

Barber, Jerome M., Wilsonville, Or.
Bates, Henry L., Eugene, Or.
Egerland, Franz, Sioux Falls, So. Dak.
Forbes, Frank S., Provo, Utah.

Hershner, John L., Albina, Or.
Mason, Javan K., Herndon, Va.
Oehler, William, St. Paul, Minn.
Weston, George D., Osawatomie, Kan.

Receipts in February, 1892.

For account of receipts by STATE AUXILIARY SOCIETIES, see pp. 583-587.

MAINE—\$1,146.50.

Received by John L. Crosby, Treas.	
Maine Miss. Soc.:	
Income from Kittredge Fund.....	\$70 00
Alfred, Y. P. S. C. E., by G. L. Akers.	20 20
Auburn, S. J. M. Perkins.....	5 00
Augusta, Joel Spalding.....	20 00
Bangor and Brewer, Y. P. S. C. E.,	
Thank-offering, by M. E. Furinton..	2 75
Bath, Winter Street Ch., by G. J.	
Mitchell.....	617 00
A Friend.....	10 00
Belfast, North Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by J.	
W. Jones.....	6 00
East Orrington, Y. P. S. C. E., by M.	
George.....	2 42
Hallowell, South Ch., Miss Annie F.	
Page, by Rev. E. Chase.....	25 00
Add'l, Ladies' Cent Soc., by M. C.	
Dole.....	52
Kennebunk, Y. P. S. C. E. of the Union	
Ch., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.	
Mass. H. M. S.....	4 00
Lewiston, A Christian Endeavor Thank-	
offering, special.....	2 00
Limerick, E. P. Hayes, Rally.....	1 00
North Edgecomb, Y. P. S. C. E., by	
Miss C. Morse.....	50
Portland, Williston Ch., by G. F. Thurs-	
ton.....	207 92
Hannah Watts.....	30 00
Saco, A Friend.....	2 00
South Berwick, Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-	
offering, by E. N. Ricker.....	10 86
South Freeport, by Arthur Smith.....	63 21
South Paris, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. A.	
G. Fitz.....	1 12
Southport, Mrs. M. A. Beal.....	5 00

Tremont, Y. P. S. C. E. of Mt. Desert	
Ch., by Miss I. C. Clark.....	\$2 00
Wells, B. Maxwell.....	24 00
Whitneyville, Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-	
offering.....	1 00
Winthrop, S. S., by G. O. Packard.....	3 00
York Village, First, Mrs. E. F. Hobbs.	10 00
Castine, S. S., Rally, \$5. [Erroneously	
acknowledged under Massachusetts	
in March issue.]	

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$2,768.62; of which Legacy, \$2,500.00.

F. C. I. and H. M. U., Miss A. A. Mc-	
Farland, Treas., special.....	20 00
Amherst, Mrs. A. A. Davis.....	10 00
Center Harbor, Rev. R. Ford.....	6 00
Concord, Young Ladies' Soc., by Mrs.	
S. T. Stewart, special.....	20 00
D. E. W.....	5 00
Mrs. A. Folger.....	5 00
Dunbarton, Y. P. S. C. E. and Friends,	
Thank-offering, by Rev. G. Sterling.	7 00
East Derry, S. H. and A. M. Choate.....	10 00
Francetown, Ch., \$38.29; Mrs. Sally	
Kingsbury, \$10, by A. Downes.....	48 29
Rally, by Mary Pettee.....	5 00
Gilmanton, S. S., by S. W. Robertson..	2 00
Goffstown, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. D.	
Grant.....	3 60
Hampton, by James Perkins.....	6 00
Hinsdale, S. S., by Miss C. A. Wellman	5 21
Keene, Miss S. A. White.....	3 00
Manchester, South Main Street Ch., by	
J. S. Ward.....	12 00
Mason, P. S. Wilson.....	4 00
Nelson, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. C. Tol-	
man.....	5 00

North Hampton, "J. L. P.," by E. M. Smith.....	\$10 00
Orfordville, S. S., \$3; Y. P. S. C. E., \$8, special, by Mrs. F. E. Washburn.....	11 00
Pelham, Mrs. E. W. Tyler, toward a L. M.	10 00
Pittsfield, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. P. Adams.....	15 00
Plymouth, On account of Legacy of James McQuesten, by Stevens and Dole, Exs.....	2,500 00
Raymond, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. J. Kingsbury.....	2 87
Stratham, S. S., by M. C. Young.....	10 00
Warner, Ch., \$13; Aux. Woman's Board, \$1, by Rev. A. E. Hall.....	17 00
Winchester, Y. P. S. C. E., First, by D. I. Smith.....	5 65
James H. Bliss, for Debt.....	10 00

VERMONT—\$554.39: of which Legacy, \$50.00.

Received by T. M. Howard, Treas. Vt. Dom. Miss. Soc.: Bartleboro Center, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$15 00
Dummerston, S. S., Rally.....	3 00
Hubbardston, S. S., Rally.....	2 05
Morrisville.....	18 30
	38 35

Woman's H. M. U., Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.: For the Washington Band: Bane.....	\$4 69
Fairfax, Mrs. E. S. Chamber- lin.....	2 00
Swanton.....	8 00
	\$14 69

For H. M. Salary: Bennington.....	5 00
Bellows Falls, Mrs. C. W. Os- good.....	25 00
Chester, A Friend.....	5 00
Dorset.....	10 00
East Hardwick, Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 50
St. Johnsbury, South Ch.....	13 55
	\$60 05

For Miss Reitingers: Burlington, First Ch.....	15 00
Cambridge.....	5 00
Castleton, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 80
Jericho Center, Mrs. Jennie W. Hart, Children's Mission Band, Rally.....	5 00
Norwich, S. S.....	5 00
	\$31 80

Bennington, Miss Sophie E. Park.....	5 00
Berlin, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. F. Crandall.....	1 25
Brookfield, First, S. S., by A. S. Allis.....	5 00
Burlington, First Ch., "H.".....	50 00
Cambridgeport, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. G. F. Chapin.....	2 20
Cash.....	25 00
Charlotte, Y. P. S. C. E., by K. Smith.....	4 25
Cornwall, Legacy of Miss Abigail P. Matthews, by C. M. Remele, Ex.....	50 00
East Braintree and West Brookfield, Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-offering, by Mrs. M. S. Boyce.....	1 00
Lower Cabot, S. S., Rally, by M. S. Haines.....	2 25
Manchester, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. S. Dow.....	13 77
North Pomfret, by S. H. Warren.....	4 00
Norwich, by G. Messenger.....	7 00
Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-offering, special, by H. E. Olds.....	5 00
Peacham, A Friend.....	5 00

St. Johnsbury, Master Joseph Fair- banks, Rally.....	\$3 00
South Royalton, Mrs. Susan H. Jones, by E. Foster.....	100 00
Stockbridge, T. S. Hubbard.....	10 00
Swanton, "Ladies' Circle," by Mrs. L. W. Skeels.....	8 25
Vermont, A Friend.....	10 00
A Friend.....	5 00
A Thank-offering.....	2 00
An offering of thanksgiving.....	50 00
West Bartleboro, Mrs. E. C. Herrick, for Debt.....	2 00
West Rutland, F. A. Morse, by Rev. S. H. Virgin, D. D.....	27 50
White River Junction, Mrs. L. E. Allen.....	15 00
West Hartford, \$4. [Erroneously ac- knowledgeed under Massachusetts in March issue.]	

MASSACHUSETTS—\$19,800.82: of which
Legacies, \$11,250.00.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc. by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	\$3,500 00
By request of donors, of which \$30; special, Walnut Avenue W. H. M. A., for Salary Fund, \$20; Everett, Y. P. S. C. E., First Ch., for Salary Fund, \$7; South Framingham, for Salary Fund, \$150.....	1,042 00
Hampden Benev. Assoc., George R. Bond, Treas.: Springfield, Olivet S. S., toward a L. M.	28 46
Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S. K. Bur- gess, Treas.: For Salary Fund, of which \$25 toward L. M. of Catherine L. Ward.....	\$1,077 00
Springfield, First, for Salary Fund.....	75 00
	1,152 00

Agawam, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. H. Por- ter.....	5 00
Amherst, North Ch.....	20 00
Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-offering, by Caroline T. Hunt, for Salary Fund. F. Weitlauf.....	7 50
Andover, Edward Taylor.....	2 50
A Friend.....	20 00
Ashfield, Y. P. S. C. E., by Leonard Wing.....	6 25
Mrs. P. B. Williams, a Birthday-offe- ring.....	5 00
Bedford, Y. P. S. C. E., by A. B. Web- ber.....	10 00
Berkley, Friends.....	50 00
Boston, W. G. Means.....	125 00
W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund.....	100 00
A Friend, special.....	10 00
A "Memorial".....	50 00
Buckland, Life Member.....	5 00
Cambridge, Y. P. S. C. E. of Pilgrim Ch., Thank-offering, by Miss L. M. Frier.....	10 00
Cambridgeport, Mrs. Caroline Cristy, special.....	10 00
Chesterfield, by Rev. E. Loomis.....	3 00
Cochituate, Miss A. E. Tucker, special Cohasset, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mary G. Bates.....	5 52
Curtisville, A Friend.....	5 00
Dorchester, Miss Ella Gilbert Ives, \$5; Miss Miriam B. Means, \$5, "Self-de- nial Month".....	10 00
Mrs. J. Means, add'l.....	10 00
Edgertown, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Mary E. Worth.....	5 00
Fitchburg, Rollstone, S. S. class of el- derly ladies, by C. S. Tolman.....	25 00
Georgetown, First, S. S., by C. M. Spof- ford.....	15 00

Goshen, by G. W. Shattuck.....	\$42 11
By Rev. J. R. Mollison.....	26 51
Hadley, Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Miss Julia A. Lawrence, toward L. M. of Mrs. Stillman Whitman.....	10 00
Hatfield, Mrs. De F. E. Shattuck's S. S. class, by K. M. Woods.....	1 50
Haverhill, S. S. of the West Cong. Ch., by F. A. Russell.....	20 53
A Friend.....	2 00
Hinsdale, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. C. Plun- kett, for Salary Fund.....	12 50
Hyde Park, Bernard H. Lane.....	5 00
Lawrence, Trinity Ch., by W. E. Row- ell.....	65 06
S. S., of which Rally, 10c., by F. J. Bail.....	10 10
Lee, On account of residuary Legacy of Elizur Smith, by W. J. Bartlett, for Exs.....	7,000 00
Leicester, Bequest of Sarah C. Wood- cock, deceased, by T. E. Woodcock, Ex.....	200 00
Mattapoisett, by Rev. C. H. Phelps.....	32 00
Marshfield, First, S. S., Rally, by L. P. Hatch.....	15 67
Massachusetts, Two Friends.....	150 00
Medfield, Y. P. S. C. E., Second Ch., by Mrs. L. W. Blood.....	5 00
Milton, Mrs. E. M. Wadsworth.....	5 00
Natick, A Friend.....	2 00
North Adams, P. P. M.....	10 00
Northampton, A Friend.....	40
North Beverly, "E. T.".....	20 00
Northfield, Mrs. Mary N. Phelps, to const. herself a L. M.....	50 00
North Leominster, Church of Christ, by F. L. Fiske.....	18 00
North Wiltbraham, Y. P. S. C. E., of Grace Union Ch., Thank-offering, by Mrs. C. E. Fletcher.....	3 65
Otis, Y. P. S. C. E., by J. W. Smith.....	3 25
Phillipston, Mary P. Estey.....	5 00
Pittsfield, On account of Legacy of Mrs. Fanny T. Allen, by W. R. Plunkett, Ex.....	500 00
Friends, First Ch.....	40 00
A Friend.....	50 00
Quincy, A Friend of Missions.....	2 00
Rockland First, S. S., by A. T. Sprague, Jr.....	25 00
Roxbury, Eliot Ch., W. F. Day.....	150 00
Walnut Avenue Ch., for Salary Fund, by Mrs. C. L. Goodell.....	110 00
Walnut Avenue, S. S., Rally, by T. W. Andrew.....	50 00
Immanuel, King's Daughter's Circle of Immanuel Ch., by Jessie Bart- lett.....	2 00
Salem, S. S., Primary Dept. and others, Rally, by Miss S. S. Driver.....	3 00
Miss S. S. Driver.....	5 00
Southampton, S. S., by E. M. Tiffany.....	28 82
South Hadley Falls, "G.".....	20 00
So. Weymouth, Y. P. S. C. E., by L. Deane.....	12 30
Spencer, F. W. Boulton.....	10 00
Springfield, "H. M.".....	1,000 00
Park Ch., by C. Jacobus.....	50 00
S. M. Coe, Park Ch.....	10 00
Mrs. C. Merriam, Rally.....	1 00
Taunton, West Cong., S. S., Rally, by L. P. Luther.....	2 75
Mrs. C. L. Perry, \$20; special, "Little Cristy's first earnings," 50c.....	20 50
Ware, Mrs. W. Hyde and Miss S. R. Sage, special.....	50 00
Wellesley, Miss S. R. Le Bosquet.....	1 40
West Brookfield, Martha S. Makepeace, deceased, by Abbie G. Makepeace, Ex.....	500 00
Westfield, Y. P. S. C. E., Second Ch., by J. C. Pierrepont, Jr.....	3 54
West Springfield, Legacy of Mrs. Lucy M. Bagg, by Ethan Brooks, Ex.....	2,000 00

West Newton, "From Pax," toward the Debt.....	\$5 00
Williamsburgh, Legacy of Hiram Hill, by H. W. Hill, Ex.....	1,050 00
Worcester, Salem Street Co., of which, \$50, to const. Mrs. Eunice W. Barber a L. M., by E. Tucker, Jr.....	125 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by M. E. Abercrombie.....	60
Samuel Pierce.....	20 00
Thomas Paisley, Thank-offering.....	1 00

RHODE ISLAND—\$500.79.

Bristol, Ladies Aux. First Ch., by S. P. Hasbrouck.....	30 00
Central Falls, Ch., \$95; Y. P. S. C. E., \$40.82, by W. Crawford.....	125 82
Little Compton, S. S., by E. S. Bailey.....	7 30
Newport, P. G. Hammett.....	2 00
Providence, Central Ch., by E. Bar- rows, Treas. R. I. Home Miss. Soc.....	300 40
Y. P. S. C. E., Pilgrim Ch., by R. E. Cook.....	25 27
Slatersville, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Mary R. Parks.....	5 00
Tiverton, Ann E. Brown.....	5 00

CONNECTICUT—\$6,914.49; of which
Legacies, \$2,025.00.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.: Bridgeport, Park Street Ch., by Mrs. C. K. Bishop, for Salary Fund.....	\$20 00
Thank-offering, A Friend, So. Ch., for Salary Fund.....	5 00
Chaplin, Friends, for Salary Fund.....	50 00
Enfield, Mrs. J. T. Chapin, through Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. G. N. Booth, for Sal- ary Fund.....	5 00
Fairfield, Memorial-offering, \$35.16; A Friend, Thank-offe- ring, \$10, by Mrs. J. A. Kippen, for Salary Fund.....	45 15
Fair Haven, Second Ch., add'l (previously ack., \$12.60).....	26
Hartford, First, Mrs. Sarah E. Perkins, by John C. Parsons.....	1,000 00
New Britain, So. Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss A. L. Copley.....	9 00
New Haven, United Ch., Ladies' Aid Soc., Mite-Box Offering, by Miss J. E. Ufford, for Sal- ary Fund.....	26 00
Norwalk, First Ch., Ladies' Assoc., by Mrs. S. B. S. Bis- sell, for Salary Fund.....	27 70
Torrington, by Mrs. H. Bar- bour, for Salary Fund.....	5 00
	1,192 41

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.: Of which \$90, for work in New Mex- ico.....	237 54
Berlin, Harriet N. Wilcox.....	25 00
Black Rock, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. A. Gould.....	3 00
Bridgeport, Second, C. E. Sanford, by O. H. Brothwell.....	25 00
Park Street Ch., \$68.25; Y. P. S. C. E., \$5, by F. W. Storrs.....	73 25
"In His Name".....	5 00
Bristol, S. S., by I. C. Sessions.....	29 57
Y. P. S. C. E., by L. G. Merick, for Salary Fund.....	100 00
Brookfield, Y. P. S. C. E., by G. Haw- ley.....	1 82
Brooklyn, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. N. Loo- mis, special.....	5 00
Canton Center, S. E. Brown.....	10 00
W. G. Hallock.....	10 00

Clinton, Y. P. S. C. E., by J. M. Wellman	\$4 53
Collinsville, Mrs. Lydia Stevens	1 00
Columbia, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss A. J. Fuller	10 00
Connecticut, A Friend	500 00
Cornwall, Y. P. S. C. E., Second Ch., by Rev. John Pierpont	7 00
Coventry, Andrew Kingsbury	25 00
Deep River, Ch., \$27.07; S. S., 35c., by Lucius Kellogg	27 42
Danielsonville, H. N. Clemons	5 00
East Haddam, E. T. Reed	112 00
East Hampton, First, by P. Bevin	40 33
East Morris, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Skilton, of which 10c., for Rally	4 40
Enfield, First, by F. A. King, to const. Miss Persis Perry a L. M.	100 00
Granby, Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-offering, by M. H. Clark	2 00
Griswoldville, Y. P. S. C. E., by R. Griswold	20 00
Hanover, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. E. Higgins	4 50
Hartford, Remainder of Legacy of Isaac E. Frisbie, by E. C. Frisbie, Esq.	2,000 00
Asylum Hill, Cong. Ch.	15 00
A. T. Perry	50 00
S. M. D.	100 00
Higganum, S. S., by Mrs. D. Huntington	33 25
Huntington, by E. S. Hawley	32 00
Ivoryton, Y. P. S. C. E., by S. F. Parmelee	70 31
Mrs. E. A. Northrop, for Salary Fund Kensington, William Upson	110 00
A Member, by S. M. Cowles	10 00
Lebanon, Goshen Ch., by Rev. Francis P. Bachelor	59 69
"Friends of the cause."	42 00
Meriden, First, special, by W. H. Catlin	2 50
Y. P. S. C. E., First, by W. H. Catlin	5 00
Center Ch., by Miss M. A. Wood	50 00
Middlebury, A Friend	10 00
Middletown, First, S. S., by L. R. Hazen, special	50 00
Rev. W. C. Foster, by Rev. A. W. Hazen	15 00
Naugatuck, by Miss Ellen Spencer	94 00
New Hartford, Two Friends	30 00
New Haven, Y. P. S. C. E., Ch. of the Redeemer, by H. W. Merwin	8 50
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Stamford, Y. P. S. C. E., First Ch., by R. M. Anthony, special	4 53
Stony Creek, Ch. of Christ, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. G. A. Pelton	2 00
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Y. P. S. C. E., First, by M. A. Hemenway	10 00
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	770 00

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Rondo.....	2 60
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Hull, Y. P. S. C. E., by P. B. Ewing ..	4 33	
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Pillsbury.....	5 06	
Rochester, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 79	
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Winona, First.....	204 38	
Worthington, S. S.....	10 00	
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A Friend.....	10 00	
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Glyndon, Ch. and S. S., by C. E. Tracy.....	5 38	
Hutchinson, S. S., by C. K. Goodenow.....	8 00	

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Centralia.....	2 00	
Chapman.....	1 35	
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Downs.....	5 60	
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Garnett.....	12 23	
Great Bend, S. S.....	10 44	
Highland.....	10 00	
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Jetmore.....	14 00	
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Nickerson.....	10 00	
Olathe.....	16 01	
Oneida.....	7 00	
Ottawa.....	6 00	
Parsons.....	5 31	
Partridge.....	6 49	
Sedgwick.....	9 00	
Sabetha.....	3 65	
Topeka, First.....	15 44	
Valley Falls, Y. P. S.....	3 00	
Wakarusa.....	6 00	
Westmoreland.....	9 60	
Western Park.....	5 00	
		341 99

Received by Rev. W. C. Veazie:		
Fairview.....	\$2 50	
Plymouth.....	8 00	
Leona.....	15 00	
		25 50

Almena, by Rev. G. T. Gibson.....	2 50	
Atwood, by Rev. J. J. A. T. Dixon.....	8 00	
Brookville, S. S., Rally, by S. Wood ..	1 85	
Dial, Mt. Ayr, Ash Rock, and New Harmony, by Rev. N. Emmerson.....	22 75	
Downs, by Rev. J. H. Embue.....	2 50	
Ford, by Rev. E. L. Hull.....	30 00	
Garden City, by Rev. L. Hull.....	17 60	
Goodland, by Rev. F. V. Jones.....	15 00	
Jetmore and Marena, by Rev. F. A. Bodwell.....	5 00	
Kansas City, Pilgrim, and Chelsea Park Chs., by Rev. H. D. Herr.....	4 00	
Kirwin, by Rev. R. F. Markham.....	50 00	
Leavenworth, Y. P. S. C. E., by L. Guton, for Salary Fund.....	5 00	
Leona, by Rev. C. A. Forbes.....	1 50	
Linwood, Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-offering, by Anna Duncan.....	1 00	
Louisville, Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-offering, by A. Bittmaum.....	1 00	
Russell, Y. P. S. C. E., by F. W. Lewis.....	2 25	
Wabauensee, S. S., First Ch. of Christ, by J. F. Willard.....	12 60	
White City, by Rev. J. Wilde.....	9 75	

NEBRASKA—\$531.22.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:		
Arberville, S. S.....	\$5 00	

Crete.....	\$1 50
Dodge.....	7 12
Exeter, S. S.....	5 89
Fremont.....	100 00
Geneva.....	43 00
S. S.....	8 19
Genoa.....	10 10
Harvard.....	8 50
Holdredge.....	5 00
Howells.....	2 38
Kilpatrick, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 21
Omaha, First.....	64 00
St. Mary's Avenue.....	17 50
Plymouth, S. S.....	6 47
Red Cloud, to const. Rev. E. L. Ely & L. M.....	50 80
Rising City, S. S.....	7 01
Springview, S. S.....	1 77
Ulysses.....	34 67
West Cedar Valley.....	9 50

\$598 51

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. H.
S. Wannamaker, Treas.:

Blair.....	\$5 00
Bladen.....	1 15
Camp Creek.....	2 00
Columbus.....	3 35
Cowles, Children's Mission- ary.....	25
Dodge.....	2 30
Fairfield.....	5 80
Geneva.....	6 55
Harvard, Y. P. S. C. E.....	45
Lincoln, Vine Street.....	1 80
Plymouth, Juvenile, for Children's Missionary.....	5 00
Y. P. S. C. E. for Chil- dren's Missionary.....	2 75
Norfolk.....	15 00
Omaha, First.....	13 00
Hillside.....	2 45
Rising City.....	5 00
Stickley.....	2 25
Syracuse, of which, \$5, for Children's Missionary.....	25 00
York.....	11 81

\$111 24 \$504 75

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. H. S. Wan-
namaker, Treas.:

Columbia, S. S., Rally.....	5 27
Burwell, by Rev. C. E. Walker.....	12 20
Columbus, Mrs. D. D. Pickett.....	2 00
Doniphan, Hastings, and West Hamil- ton, by Rev. E. Cressman.....	7 00

NORTH DAKOTA—\$109.75.

Received by Rev. H. C. Simmons:

Glen Ullin.....	\$3 50
Pioneer.....	4 30
Wahpeton.....	27 17

34 97

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M.
Fisher, Treas.:

Michigan City, of which \$1.35 toward L. M. fund.....	11 85
Amenia, by M. L. Stimson.....	1 00
Fargo, Ch., \$25; Rev. G. S. Bascom, \$8, by Rev. G. S. Bascom.....	33 00
Ft. Abercrombie and Dexter, by Rev. W. Edwards.....	50
Michigan City, St. Petersburg, and Ni- agara, by Rev. D. Woolner.....	8 66
Sanborn, Odell, and Eckelson, by Rev. W. C. Hunter.....	20 37

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$161.70.

Carthage, F. H. Angle.....	\$10 00
Centerville, Lucinda Bridgman.....	1 00
Eden, by Rev. R. Norton.....	4 00
Friedens, \$11; St. Matthew, \$1.50, by Rev. H. Vogler.....	12 50
Lake Preston, by Rev. J. L. Granger.....	33 91
Spearfish (Black Hills), by Rev. A. A. Brown.....	5 00
Watertown, First, by H. R. Chase.....	12 00
Webster, by Rev. W. G. Dickinson.....	5 00
Yankton, Mrs. S. F. Ward.....	26 00
By H. H. Swain.....	52 29

COLORADO—\$257.51.

Received by Rev. C. M. Sanders:

Denver, First, in part.....	\$126 00
Olve Branch Mission.....	2 21
West Denver, S. S.....	2 65

130 86

Received by Rev. H. Sanderson:

Creede.....	\$4 50
Overton.....	3 65

8 15

Boulder, by H. D. Harlow.....	30 00
Crested Butte, by Rev. E. Martin.....	4 45
Denver, People's Tabernacle, by Rev. T. A. Uzzell.....	30 00
Olivet Ch., by Rev. J. F. Smith.....	7 50
Harman, by Rev. W. W. Dumm.....	10 00
Otis and Hyde, by Rev. G. Dungan.....	5 00
Pueblo, First, by H. R. Jones.....	31 55

WYOMING—\$2.50.

Rock Springs, Y. P. S. C. E., by G. S.

Wise.....	2 50
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MONTANA—\$36.35.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. S. A. Wal-
lace, Treas.:

Billings, Mission Band, by Mrs. D. E. Jones.....	5 00
Great Falls, Rally, by Rev. W. S. Bell.....	1 35
Missoula, by Rev. O. C. Clark.....	25 00
White Sulphur Springs, Rev. W. E. Catlin.....	5 00

UTAH—\$17.06.

Park City, by Rev. C. H. Cook.....

South Lawn, by Rev. W. S. Hawkes.....	7 06
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IDAHO—\$2.00.

Boise City, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. S.

Rose.....	2 00
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CALIFORNIA—\$360.40.

Received by Rev. E. Lyman Hood:

Needles.....	6 10
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Woman's H. M. Union, Southern
Cal., Mrs. E. A. Spencer, Treas.:

For Salary Fund.....	\$133 50
Redlands, for Salary Fund.....	10 00

143 50

Amador City, Mrs. A. B. Call, Self-den-
ial Month..... 12 00 |

Belmont, Mrs. E. L. Reed, \$20; Mrs. F. A. Blackburn, \$10; Mrs. Harriet Reed, \$5; Mrs. W. T. Reid, \$5; Willie Reid, 50c, by Mrs. E. L. Reed.....	40 50
Cong. Conference of So. Cal., A Friend.....	2 00

Copperopolis, by Rev. A. P. Field.....	\$6 50
Encinitas, by Rev. J. A. Rogers.....	3 00
Fresno, S. S., Rally, by Rev. J. H. Warren, D.D.....	7 75
Hydesville, Rohnerville, and Alton, by Rev. K. Taylor.....	5 00
Los Guilicos, by Rev. I. F. Tobey.....	20 00
Mojave, Halleck, by Rev. S. Edwards.....	10 00
Monrovia, by Rev. O. D. Crawford.....	10 00
First, by P. H. Wilson.....	4 00
Murphy's, Angels, Douglass Flat, and Sheep Ranch, by Rev. D. Goodsell.....	7 50
Pescadero and Fairview, by Rev. D. F. Taylor.....	3 50
Pomona, Y. P. S. C. E., of Pilgrim Ch., Thank-offering, by J. P. Storrs.....	6 75
Redlands, Mr. and Mrs. Edson D. Hale.....	6 00
Rocklin, by Rev. E. D. Haven.....	14 80
San Francisco, by Rev. H. H. Cole.....	15 00
A Friend, for Debt.....	10 00
San Jacinto, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. K. Smith.....	5 00
So. Vallejo, S. S., Rally, by Rev. J. Parsons.....	3 00
Sunol Glen, by Rev. J. H. Strong.....	3 50
Tiburon, by Rev. D. Wirt.....	5 00
Vernondale, Rev. G. A. Rawson.....	10 00

OREGON—\$252.47.

Received by Rev. D. Stayer:

Corvallis.....	\$15 00
Park Place, A Lady.....	1 00

16 00

Received by I. A. Macrum:

East Portland, by F. R. Cook.....	\$26 67
Portland, First, by A. S. Frank.....	150 00

176 67

Ashland, by Rev. G. J. Webster.....	27 50
East Portland, S. S., Rally, by Rev. H. Wall.....	4 60
Forest Grove, by Rev. C. F. Clapp.....	20 00
Oswego and Beaver Creek, by Rev. R. M. Jones.....	3 00
Williamina, by T. H. Henderson.....	4 70

WASHINGTON—\$215.73.

Received by Rev. W. C. Merritt:

East Tacoma, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$10 00
Edmonds, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 56
New Whatcom, Y. P. S. C. E.....	4 40
Port Gamble, Y. P. S. C. E.....	11 00
Tacoma, First, Y. P. S. C. E.....	16 00
Mrs. D. H. Manning.....	1 00

\$14 96

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W.

R. Abrams, Treas.

Tacoma, First Ch.....	\$87 00
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131 96

Ahtanum, by Rev. F. McConaughy.....	11 66
Conlee City and Chelan, by Rev. W. Harris.....	2 50
Eagle Harbor, by Rev. J. B. Clark.....	7 50
Edmonds and Richmond, Ch., \$3.30; S. S., Rally, \$1.50, W. Wash., by Rev. O. L. Fowler.....	4 80
Pleasant Prairie and Trent, by Rev. J. B. Renshaw.....	1 75
Port Angeles, by Rev. C. E. Chase.....	1 50
Roy and Hillhurst, by Rev. R. Brown.....	3 60
Seattle, Edgewater Ch., \$26.90; S. S., \$1, by Rev. M. P. Jones.....	33 90
Brooklyn Ch., by Rev. W. W. Ferrier.....	3 70
Spokane, Second, by J. Matteson.....	3 81
Y. P. S. C. E., First, by E. Cowley, special.....	8 50
Sultan City, by Rev. A. W. Bower.....	1 15

MEXICO—\$10.00.

Allende, Chihuahua, Rev. A. B. Case.....	\$110 00
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HOME MISSIONARY 121 45

\$47,097 28

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Ann Arbor, Mich. (Nov., 1891), W. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., two barrels and cash.....	\$116 85
Baltimore, Md., W. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. J. H. Denison, box.....	60 00
Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. M. M. Brown, barrel.....	61 99
Cleveland, O., Mrs. A. J. Smith, box and package.....	
Cortland, Ohio, Cong. Ch., Miss. Soc., barrel of books, etc., with freight (\$3.76).....	63 76
Germanstown, Pa., The Neesima Guild of First Ch., by Mrs. J. H. Denison, four barrels and freight.....	35 61
Hartford, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Asylum Hill Ch., by Mrs. S. M. Capron, bale.....	75 40
Ladies' Soc. of South Ch., Dr. E. P. Parker, by Miss A. A. Welles, box.....	146 19
Lyne, N. H., Friends, box.....	25 00
Middletown, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. R. Crittenden, barrel.....	106 10
Newark, N. J., W. H. M. Soc. of Belleville Ave. Ch., by Mrs. J. H. Denison, package, cash and freight.....	50 25
New Haven, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Center Hill Ch., by Mary E. Bennett, three boxes.....	692 75
Ladies' Aid Soc. of United Ch., by Mrs. J. E. Pond, box.....	153 94
Mrs. Levermore, overcoat.....	
New York City, Ladies' H. M. Soc. of Broadway Tab. Ch., by Mrs. Ellen M. Maitland, six trunks.....	1,225 85
Plymouth, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by E. B. Wells, box.....	22 16
St. Johnsbury, Vt., W. H. M. Soc. of North Ch., by Miss M. E. Stone, barrel.....	30 00
Sherburne, N. Y., Ladies' M. Soc., by Minnie C. Coats, barrel and freight.....	37 29
Southport, Ct., Harriet H. Perry, barrel and box.....	40 00
Toledo, O., Working Band of First Ch., by Mrs. Geo. B. Orwig, box.....	75 90
Washington, D.C., W. H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. J. H. Denison, two packages.....	69 21
West Brattleboro, Vt., Ladies, by Mary F. Babbitt, barrel.....	70 00
By Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell, Iowa: Burlington, box.....	62 67
Charles City, three barrels.....	
Davenport, box.....	57 65
Young Ladies, box.....	76 00
Decorah, box and cash.....	87 67
Des Moines, S. S. Class, personal gifts.....	
Grinnell, packages and cash.....	50 00
Humbolt, box.....	63 95
Iowa City, Y. P. S. C. E., personal gifts.....	
McGregor, box.....	
Muscatine, box.....	30 10
Newton, box.....	25 00

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from December 20, 1891, to January 20, 1892. T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Barton, Supply.....	\$10 00
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Bellows Falls, add'l.....	\$33 48
Bennington, Second Ch.....	84 97
Second Ch. S. S., for A. H. M. S.....	30 40
Brandon.....	8 90
Brattleboro, Mrs. Mary L. Hadley.....	25 00
Center Ch., S. S., for A. H. M. S.....	50 00
West.....	37 42
Burlington, College St. Ch.....	100 00
Chelsea, S. S., for Lady Evangelists.....	12 76
Coventry.....	16 00
Essex.....	5 15
Essex Junction.....	17 00
Jeffersonville.....	3 58
Ludlow, Y. P. S. C. E., for Lady Evangelists.....	3 34
Milton.....	7 50
Newbury, First Ch.....	48 83
St. Johnsbury, North Ch., of which \$20 is to const. L. D. Hazen a L. M.....	230 54
Thetford, First Ch.....	5 43
Tunbridge, second payment of Legacy of Jerusha S. Tracey.....	166 66
Waterbury.....	26 71
West Dover, for work among Indians.....	1 25
Weston.....	21 00
Weybridge.....	31 15
Coral Workers.....	6 00
Windham.....	28 00
Dividends and interest.....	36 00
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	23 67
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.: Chester, A. Friend.....	\$5 00
Dorset, W. H. M. S.....	10 00
	\$15 00

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Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from January 20 to February 20, 1892.
T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Arlington, East.....	\$5 00
Barnet, Alexander Holmes.....	20 00
Bennington Center, First Ch., add'l.....	15 00
Brattleboro, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S.....	15 00
Bridgewater.....	9 66
Burlington, First Ch.....	170 00
Cambridge, Mr. and Mrs. M. Safford.....	15 00
Charlotte.....	16 00
Craftsbury, North.....	7 00
Dummerston, S. S., for A. H. M. S.....	3 00
Fairlee, Y. P. S. C. E., for Lady Evangelists.....	4 00
Granby, Dea. G. A. Appleton.....	40 00
Guildhall.....	3 00
S. S.....	5 00
Hubbardton, S. S., for A. H. M. S. Army. Jericho, First Ch.....	2 05
Morrisville, for A. H. M. S.....	20 70
Newport.....	18 30
Supply.....	18 22
Pittsfield, A. C. H.....	15 00
Randolph, S. S.....	2 00
Richmond, special.....	5 00
St. Johnsbury, South Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., for Lady Evangelists.....	50 00
East, special.....	8 74
Thetford, Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-offering.....	20 50
Warren, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 00
Westminster, Young People's Mite-boxes Interest, Edward Banks Fund.....	2 71
Dividends.....	6 93
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	55 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.: Vergennes, Mrs. Frisbie.....	15 35
Woodstock, Miss C. A. Munger's S. S. Class.....	\$1 00
	5 00
	\$6 00
	\$558 46

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in February, 1892. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treas.

Amherst, North, by E. H. Dickinson.....	\$550 00
Hubbard, Sophia E.....	10 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by Henry Spear, for A. H. M. S.....	7 44
Andover, Johnson, Rev. Francis H.....	150 00
South, Foster, Mrs. Anna M., by Geo. Gould, for A. H. M. S.....	15 00
S. S., by John Alden, for A. H. M. S.....	10 00
Union of Christian Endeavorers, by Daniel H. Poor.....	20 00
Ashburnham, First, by M. M. Stowe.....	43 00
Bank, Balances, Jan. Interest on.....	31 70
Barnstable, Centerville, by Rev. W. R. Joyslin.....	14 00
Barre, Evan., by J. Henry Goddard, for A. H. M. S.....	25 00
Dickinson, Miss Rhoda A., for A. H. M. S.....	5 00
Goddard, Mrs. Helen A., for A. H. M. S.....	2 00
Goddard, J. Henry, for A. H. M. S.....	3 00
Boston, A. Friend.....	5 00
Dorchester, Village, by John Durell.....	46 49
Neponset, Trinity, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. G. Dixon.....	7 15
Park St., by E. F. Brackett.....	70 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by Jennie S. Winne, for A. H. M. S.....	50 00
Roslindale, by Rev. R. B. Grover.....	20 00
Roxbury, Highland, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss H. M. Ekman.....	25 00
Union, by Wm. H. White, for A. H. M. S.....	22 00
A. Friend, by Rev. W. G. Pudgefoot.....	5 00
A. Friend, "B.," by Rev. W. G. Pudgefoot.....	5 00
Wilkinson, Mrs. Arthur, by W. H. White.....	300 00
X.....	10 00
Boxboro, by A. W. Wetherbee, for A. H. M. S. Debt.....	8 25
Braintree, South, by H. B. Whitman.....	15 00
Brimfield, First, by J. Reed Brown.....	11 23
Brookfield, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. S. S. King, Treas., for A. H. M. S.....	1 22
Brookline, Harvard, by Jas. H. Shapleigh, special offering.....	203 35
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, Ladies' Miss. Soc., to const. Mrs. Alice L. Dow a L. M.....	30 00
Snow, Russell L.....	100 00
Chelmsford, by Rev. A. L. Shear.....	1 50
Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. A. L. Shear.....	7 00
Cohasset, Second, S. S., by Robert B. Pratt.....	6 77
Dana, by Rev. J. G. Willis.....	2 36
Danvers, Maple Street, by E. Peabody, for A. H. M. S. Debt.....	75 25
Y. P. S. C. E., by Isabel Tapley, for Rev. John Branch, Helena, Montana.....	30 00
Dedham, First, by Rev. J. B. Seabury, Taft Thank-offering.....	50 00
Douglas, East, by Thomas H. Meek.....	59 01
Dresden, Germany, Seaver, Miss A. M.....	10 00
Easthampton, First, by W. H. Wright.....	83 94
Lyman, Mrs. Marian, by L. M. Lyman.....	7 00
Easton, Evan., by Rev. Geo. O. Jenness.....	10 50
Essex, by Mrs. Mary C. Osgood.....	58 00
Everett, First, add'l, by R. A. Rideout.....	20 00
Washburn, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. F. L. Parkhurst, toward salary of Rev. W. S. Davis, Spokane, Wash.....	7 00
Everett, "Two Friends".....	2 40
Falmouth, North, A. Friend.....	5 00

Fitchburg, Rollstone, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss E. M. Welch, for A. H. M. S.	15 00	Newbury, First, by Edward Perkins.....	16 47
Framingham, Geo. Bigelow, for A. H. M. S.	5 00	Newton Center, John O. Ellis.....	22 00
South, Grace, by G. M. Amsden, toward salary of Rev. E. L. Smith, Genesee, Idaho.....	\$150 00	Trumbull, Mrs. E. A. R.....	5 00
Grafton, Saundersville, by A. E. Gurney, for A. H. M. S.	14 00	Read, Mrs. C. L., postage.....	10
Wilkinsonville, Mrs. W. R. and Miss C. W. Hill, for L. Mp. of I. Bigelow Dodge, Mildred S. Elliot, Bertha A. Howe, and Florence Simmons.....	120 00	Slisbee, Ithiel, Estate of, by H. B. Hackett, Adm.....	\$1,190 45
Granby, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mary Kellogg, for A. H. M. S.	12 50	Norfolk, Union, by Wm. E. Mann, \$3.50; by Rev. E. J. Moore, \$1.89.....	5 39
Great Barrington, Housatonic, Dana, Rev. J. Jay, for L. Mp. of Rev. H. P. Woodin.....	30 00	North Adams, by W. W. Richmond, to const. John Bracewell, Wm. W. Butler, Wm. W. Rlemond, and Wm. C. Jones L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.	229 60
Y. P. S. C. E., by Edith M. Ramsdell, for A. H. M. S.	9 00	Northampton, "C. C." for A. H. M. S.	10 00
Greenwich, S. S., by Miss Annie E. Blodgett, for L. Mp. of Mrs. H. L. Bruce.....	30 00	Northbridge, Whitinsville, Y. P. S. C. E., by Edward Whitin.....	4 60
Hadley, North, by J. C. Howe, for L. Mp. of Mrs. Maria Hawley.....	30 00	North Brookfield, Reed, Hammond, On account of Estate of, by J. E. Porter, Ex.....	150 00
Hallfax, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by S. F. Sylvester.....	6 00	Oakham, by Wm. S. Crawford.....	46 29
Hampden Benevolent Association, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:		Orange, Central Evan., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. G. W. Judson, to const. Mrs. Herbert L. Stratton a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	50 00
A Friend.....	\$5 00	Paxton, by Wm. Brown, for A. H. M. S.	17 23
Chicopee, Thrd.....	\$9 70	Pittsfield, Master Julius Rockwell, by Rev. W. G. Puddefoot.....	4 10
Longmeadow.....	11 00	Plymouth, Pilgrimage, by H. M. P. Hubbard.....	103 51
Gents' Benevolent Assoc.....	16 00	Quincy, Atlantic, Y. P. S. C. E., by P. A. Hall.....	3 27
Ludlow.....	18 26	S. S., Prim. Dept., by Miss E. F. Merrill.....	5 00
Monson.....	23 28	Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson.....	25 00
Ladies, special.....	25 00	Reed, Dwight, fund, Income of.....	50 00
Springfield, First.....	100 00	Rockland, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. F. A. Baleom, for A. H. M. S.	10 00
South.....	269 41	Rockport, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. F. Ainsworth.....	5 00
Westfield.....	262 15	Rutland, First, by Rev. Geo. L. Dodge..	10 00
	714 80	San Mateo, Cal., by D. Bradford.....	5 00
Hanover, Second, by H. B. Barstow.....	1 35	Sherborn, Pilgrim, S. S., by Geo. H. Barber.....	10 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by Elmer W. Barstow, Endeavor-day offering.....	2 75	Somerville, Prospect Hill, Y. P. S. C. E., by Nellie A. Hamblin, for A. H. M. S. debt.....	10 00
Harvard, by J. W. Bacon.....	41 25	Southbridge, Y. P. S. C. E., by S. D. Perry, for A. H. M. S.	16 00
S. S., by J. W. Bacon.....	17 75	Templeton, by J. M. Brown.....	6 00
Haverhill, A Friend, by Rev. Dr. Judson Smith.....	25 00	Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss Julia E. French.....	5 00
Hawley, by Tyler T. Clark.....	18 00	Tewksbury, by William H. Lee.....	12 00
Hyde Park, Clarendon Hills, S. S., by A. J. Bates, addl.....	25	Townsend, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. C. H. Rowley, for A. H. M. S.	6 24
Ipswich, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Alice D. Harris, Treas.....	5 00	Westboro, "Sincere friend".....	2 10
Lancaster, Evan. Cong., by L. Rowell... S. S., by Miss E. F. Merriek.....	27 75	West Brookfield, Mrs. Margaret Fairbank, by A. G. Blodgett, M.D.....	100 00
Lawrence, Lawrence St., by C. K. Pillsbury, for local French work.....	25 00	Westhampton, by A. D. Montague.....	24 58
South, by J. M. Buzzell.....	11 29	Y. P. S. C. E., by A. C. Townsend, Treas., for A. H. M. S.	3 10
Lee, Samuel Hall, Estate of, by Hon. Wm. J. Bartlett, for Executor.....	225 86	West Springfield, Mittineague, Y. P. S. C. E., by Geo. R. Crosier, Treas., for A. H. M. S.	11 00
Ludlow Center, by Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Miss J. T. Jones.....	36 00	Weymouth, East, by C. B. Cushing, to const. Wm. M. Reamy a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	50 00
Mahoney Ctr., Pa., by John D. Davis.....	12 73	North, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss Hattie M. Dow.....	5 25
Malden, Linden, Mrs. T. D. Goodhue.....	0	South, Union, by W. L. Bates.....	22 21
Maplewood, by Thomas Rushton, Jr.....	13 91	Williamstown, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. H. Botsford, Treas., for A. H. M. S.	9 36
Mansfield, Second, by Chas. L. Corey.....	19 00	Woburn, Friend in Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S.	10 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by Nellie Scholes, Treas. Mass., W. A. L.....	1 03	Worcester, Plymouth, Aux. Home Branch, by Miss E. K. Mellen.....	44 55
Medford, Mystic, Y. P. S. C. E., by Harry Sweetser, for A. H. M. S.	20 51	Xenophon.....	10 00
West, by J. H. Gerrish.....	20 00	Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.:	
Melrose, Orth., by C. C. Goss.....	139 66	Boston, Park St., Ladies' Miss. Soc., toward salary of Rev. L. P. Broad, Topeka, Kan.....	\$100 00
By C. C. Goss, for French in Mass.....	35 00	Roxbury, Walnut Ave., Ladies' Aux., toward salary of Rev. Samuel Deakin, Hay Springs, Neb.....	20 00
Middleboro, North, Y. P. S. C. E., by Frank T. Macomber.....	5 00		
Middleton, Y. P. S. C. E., by Lillian P. Fletcher.....	2 30		
Milbury, First, by O. H. Waters.....	64 30		
Goodell, Miss M. A., by O. H. Waters.....	10 00		
Milton, First Evan., A Friend, by Rev. A. K. Teele, D.D., for A. H. M. S.	100 00		
Mother and Daughter.....	5 00		
Nantucket, First, by Mrs. C. H. Rule.....	1 10		
Needham, Burgess Soc. of C. E., by H. S. Whittemore.....	5 00		

Medway, West, Second, Ladies' Aux.....	22 75
	1427
	\$6,398 47
HOME MISSIONARY.....	\$14 40
	\$6,412 87

Donations of clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in February, 1892. Miss NATHALIE LORD, Home Secretary.

Auburndale, Ladies, by Miss E. M. Strong, two barrels.....	\$198 37
Barrington, Ladies, by Mrs. G. T. Baker, package and barrel.....	103 75
Boston, Central Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. A. E. White, barrel.....	105 00
Brookline, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Abbott (Mr. Ed. M. Abbott, \$1), barrel.....	50 00
Dorchester, Pilgrim Ch., Ladies, by Miss Abby A. Miller, barrel and box.....	65 00
Hanover, Four Corners, Mrs. H. B. Barstow, half barrel.....	23 50
Jamaica Plain, Central Ch., Friend, package.....	25 00
Leicester, Ladies' Charitable Soc., by Miss E. E. Loring, barrel.....	67 75
Milbury, Second Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. Amos Armsby, cash, \$55, and barrel....	112 44
Mouseton, Ladies, by Mrs. Talcott, two barrels and freight.....	120 00
Northampton, Edwards Ch., Ladies' H. M. Soc., check, \$5, and box.....	130 00
Peabody, Ladies, by Mrs. Mary E. Trask, barrel (Y. L. M. C., \$27).....	118 00
Portsmouth, N. H., Ladies, by Miss S. J. Jewett, two barrels.....	86 97
Providence, Central Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. H. E. Stockwell, two boxes.....	225 16
Salem, Tabernacle Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. David Choate, two barrels and freight....	234 23
Somerville, Broadway Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. M. C. Burckes, three barrels.....	200 00
Whitinsville, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Miss Lila F. Whittin, box and freight....	145 23
Wollaston, Ladies, by Bessie T. Witham, barrel, freight, and cash.....	53 00
Worcester, Central Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Miss B. E. Knight, three barrels.....	139 33
Union Ch., Woman's Assoc., by Mrs. Sarah L. Drury, barrel.....	69 25

Suffield, West Suffield, by Rev. Chas. B. Strong, \$4; Y. P. S. C. E., \$11.13.....	15 13
Thomaston, by P. Darrow.....	8 66
Torrington, Third, by Frank M. Wheeler, \$53; for A. H. M. S., \$84.46.....	\$137 46
Watertown, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss Alice Hurd.....	5 50
West Hartford, Anson Chappell, personal.....	10 00
Winchester, by E. B. Bronson.....	20 18
Windham, by William Swift.....	26 67
Windsor, Poquonock, by L. R. Lord.....	5 50
Woodbury, First, by J. H. Linsley, \$10; for A. H. M. S., \$18.08.....	28 08
W. C. H. M. U. of Conn., by Miss Ellen R. Camp, Sec.....	100 00

Received by Rev. Charles W. Shelton, Eastern Field Secretary, A. H. M. S.:	
Branford, Y. P. S. C. E., by Walter H. Dean.....	\$5 16
Glastonbury, First, by S. H. Williams.....	32 50
Greenwich, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. G. Baker.....	15 00
Milford, First, A. Friend.....	1 25
Young People's Miss. Soc., by Rev. H. H. Morse.....	9 46
Naugatuck, A. Friend.....	1 00
New Canaan, Y. P. S. C. E., by Lillian R. Gleason.....	5 26
New Haven, College St., Y. P. S. C. E., by Frederick, M. Lloyd.....	12 50
New London, First, A. Friend.....	12 50
Norwich, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Helen Lathrop.....	14 32
Plymouth, Terryville, H. B. Plumb, personal.....	30 00
William Robinson, personal.....	2 00
Ridgefield, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. John W. Ballantine.....	2 00
Southington, S. S., by Rev. Joseph Danielson.....	36 00
South Windsor, Wapping, by Rev. Fred'k W. Hollister.....	10 00
Warren, Y. P. S. C. E., by Alice Perkins.....	2 00
Connecticut, Friend, for work in New Mexico.....	90 00
	\$261 55

Boxes.

South Windsor, Ladies, box, value.....	\$90 00
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MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in February, 1892. WARD W. JACOBS, Treas.

Coventry, South, for A. H. M. S., by J. S. Morgan.....	\$30 74
Eastford, by Henry Trowbridge.....	2 25
East Haven, Y. P. S. C. E., by Lottie E. Street.....	16 00
Hamden, Whitneyville, by James M. Payne.....	33 00
Hartford, Second, by H. E. Harrington..	100 00
Pearl St., Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., by Clara L. Casey.....	15 00
Lyme, First, by Rev. E. F. Burr.....	50 00
Naugatuck, by Ellen Spencer.....	55 00
New Haven, Dwight Place, Robert Crane, M. D., personal.....	3 00
Newtown, by R. D. Smith.....	5 00
Old Saybrook, by Robert Chapman, q'tly, \$30; for A. H. M. S., q'tly, \$30....	60 00
Ridgefield, First, by John F. Holmes.....	5 31

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in January, 1892. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Anamosa.....	\$50 00
Aurelia.....	20 00
Britt.....	40 00
Castana.....	10 40
Chester Center.....	15 50
Clay.....	20 98
College Springs.....	57 75
Crain's Creek.....	8 40
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	172 06
Eldora, First.....	10 45
Elma.....	12 93
Exira.....	5 00
Fairfax.....	10 00
Fayette.....	8 75
Fontanelle.....	25 00
Good Hope.....	2 11
Grinnell.....	3 00
Hull, ad'l.....	3 87
Kellogg.....	6 90
Kingsley.....	10 00

Lakeside.....	\$10 20
Lima.....	5 25
Linn Grove.....	8 04
Mitchellville.....	12 50
Nora Springs.....	50 00
Onawa.....	7 65
Orchard, for 1891.....	7 25
Preston.....	16 75
Quasqueton.....	7 50
Rockwell.....	20 00
Sabula.....	4 52
Stacyville.....	24 70
Webster.....	20 00
Wesley.....	8 00
Warren.....	24 00

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Center.....	5 10
Cherokee.....	10 00
Clinton.....	10 00
Exira.....	1 28
Forest City.....	10 00
Pilgrim, Birthday-offering.....	9 00
Stacyville.....	6 55

Y. P. S. C. E.

Belle Plaine.....	1 57
Cedar Rapids, for Bohemians.....	5 00
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	14 12
Hampton, Junior.....	5 10
Harlan, Junior.....	4 00

PERSONAL.

Cherokee, Mrs. Skinner.....	5 00
Chicago, Ill., Elihu Smith.....	10 00
Pilgrim, Rev. J. R. Beard.....	10 00
Des Moines, Pilgrim, Earn. of Sec.....	5 00
Grinnell, Rev. T. O. Douglass.....	5 00
New Hampton, H. Gurley.....	100 00
Polk City, Mary A. Bates.....	5 00
Shell Rock, Earn. of Sec.....	5 00
Stanley, Friends.....	6 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M.

J. Nicholson, Treas.:	
Algona, W. M. S.....	\$4 30
Chester Center, King's Daughters.....	16 00
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	11 35
Dubuque, L. M. S.....	4 72
Grinnell, W. H. M. U.....	25 22
Hampton, Junior Miss. Soc.....	20 00
Maguolia, W. H. M. U.....	2 00
Marion, L. M. S.....	16 00
Y. L. S.....	8 10
McGregor, W. M. S.....	8 90
Midland, Ladies.....	5 00
Onawa, W. M. S.....	6 55
Osage, W. M. S.....	3 50
Oskaloosa, L. M. S.....	11 87
Sioux City, W. M. S.....	4 50
Toledo, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 62
Webster City, L. M. S.....	3 37
Wells, Madison Co., W. M. S., Thank-offering.....	1 00

153 87

\$1,050 40

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society
in January, 1892. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Abingdon.....	\$11 20
Altoua.....	63 25
Anna, First.....	8 50
Atkinson, Mrs. A. E. Arnold.....	10 67
Aurora, Mrs. J. L. Greenfield.....	10 00
Big Rock.....	8 01
Buda.....	63 10
Chicago, George N. Culver.....	50 00
South Chicago.....	60 60

De Pue, J. Lusinger.....	\$ 00
Earlville, J. A. D.....	2 00
Galesburg, First, of which Mr. and Mrs. Driggs, \$2.....	7 00
First Cong.....	105 00
Gap Grove.....	5 00
Geneseo, of which Miss Maddington, \$50.....	175 64
Gridley, S. S.....	7 25
Ivanhoe, of which Y. P. S. C. E., \$5.....	27 10
Lee Center.....	11 00
Marseilles.....	33 20
Mendon.....	15 55
Metropolis.....	20 25
Millburn.....	9 20
Morgan Park.....	32 55
Mound City.....	3 69
North Aurora, S. S.....	9 90
Ontario.....	23 61
Ottawa.....	102 73
Paxton, of which Y. P. S. C. E., \$8.30.....	164 00
Payson.....	12 00
Pera.....	5 00
Plymouth.....	6 00
Seward (Winnebago Co.), Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 86
Shelfield.....	86 41
Sublette.....	4 00
Sycamore, Gen. Daniel Dustin.....	25 00
Waupun, S. S.....	10 00
West Rockford.....	6 00
Wheaton, First.....	1 55
Wythe.....	21 80

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E.

Maltby, Treas.....	\$20 00
Chicago, New England.....	69 00
Englewood, Pilgrim.....	70
California Avenue.....	3 81
Mendon, Y. P. S. C. E.....	11 00
Moline, Mr. and Mrs. Bearby, \$10; Grace Bearby, \$1.....	11 00

290 81

Friends.....	35 00
A. C. Tower, Mendota.....	10 00
Rev. Edward M. Williams, Chicago.....	100 00
Church Fund, Mendota.....	124 00
	\$2,117 07

WOMAN'S FUND FOR MISSIONARY SALARIES.

Previously acknowledged and appro- priated.....	\$45,034 01
California, Redlands.....	10 00
Connecticut, Bridgeport, \$25; Bristol, \$100; Chaplin, \$50; Enfield, \$5; Fair- field, \$45.15; Ivoryton, \$110; New Ha- ven, \$276; Norwalk, \$25; Torrington, \$5.....	643 75
District of Columbia, Washington.....	25 00
Kansas, Leavenworth.....	5 00
Massachusetts, Amherst, \$7.50; Boston, \$12; Hinsdale, \$12.50; Roxbury, \$110; Springfield, \$75; W. H. M. A., \$1,771.....	1,402 00
Michigan, Detroit.....	50 00
Missouri, St. Louis.....	6 25
New York, Angola, \$11.75; Brooklyn, \$250; N. Y. City, \$6.....	267 75
Ohio, Ashland, \$22.36; Cuyahoga Falls, \$26.48.....	48 83
Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.....	50 00
Vermont, Barre, \$4.60; Bellows Falls, \$35; Bennington, \$5; Burlington, \$15; Cambridge, \$5; Castleton, \$1.80; Ches- ter, \$5; Dorset, \$10; East Hardwick, \$1.50; Fairfax, \$2; Jericho, \$5; Nor- wich, \$5; Swanton, \$8; St. Johns- bury, \$18.55.....	106 54

\$47,648 55

**TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS
OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1891, TO MARCH 1, 1892.**

	A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*		A. H. M. S.	For Pastor's Salary.*
New Hampshire.....	\$2,325 50		Indiana.....	\$531 56	
Minnesota.....	3,958 57		Southern California.....	239 05	
Massachusetts.....			Vermont.....	1,561 94	
Rhode Island.....	3,982 12		Colorado.....		
Maine.....	1,662 81		Wyoming.....	702 75	
Michigan.....	2,964 03		Georgia.....	95 04	
Kansas.....	490 85		Alabama.....		
Ohio.....	1,434 59		Mississippi.....		
New York.....	2,176 96		Louisiana.....	5 00	
Wisconsin.....	140 49		Arkansas.....		
North Dakota.....	164 64		Kentucky.....		
Oregon.....	441 15	5 66	Tennessee.....		
Washington.....			North Carolina.....	5 00	
Northern Idaho.....	341 40		Texas.....	9 80	
South Dakota.....	186 46		Montana.....	83 50	
Connecticut.....	2,771 73		Pennsylvania.....	97 00	
Missouri.....	1,739 95		Oklahoma.....	17 65	
Illinois.....	2,257 23		New Jersey.....		
Iowa.....	2,747 78		Dist. Columbia.....	1,008 41	
California.....	710 00		Maryland.....		
Nebraska.....	1,695 01		Virginia.....		
Florida.....	434 26		Utah.....		

Total....\$35,781 58

* This column is to show amounts, as reported to the Woman's Dept., contributed by W. H. M. auxiliaries in struggling churches to help pay the pastor's salary, but not credited to any organization.

Woman's State H. M. Organizations.

OFFICERS.

1.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION,
Organized August, 1804.

AND

HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1890.

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.
Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.
Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2.

MINNESOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized September, 1872.

President, Miss Katherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.
Secretary, Miss Gertrude A. Keith, 1350 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.*

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,
Organized February, 1880.

President, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.
Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.
Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

4.

MAINE.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,
Organized June, 1880.

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.
Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 166 Hammond St., Bangor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St. Bangor.

5.

MICHIGAN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1881.

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexander Ave., Detroit.
Secretary, Mrs. Leroy Warren, Olivet.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

6.

KANSAS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1881.

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.
Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

7.

OHIO.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1882.

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St., Cleveland.
Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

8.

NEW YORK.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St., Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Cobb, 59 Bible House, New York City.

9.

WISCONSIN.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1883.

President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 540 State St., Madison.
Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Jackson, 117 Washington St., Janesville.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

10.

NORTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized November, 1883.

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.
Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

11.

OREGON.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized July, 1884.

President, Mrs. John Sommersville, 108 Second St., Portland.
Secretary, Mrs. H. J. Livermore, Oregon City.
Treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 Park St., Portland.

12.

WASHINGTON,
INCLUDING NORTHERN IDAHO.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,
Organized July, 1884.

Re-organized June, 1889.

President, Mrs. N. F. Cobleigh, Walla Walla.
Secretaries, Mrs. E. Wilcox, Spokane Falls, Eastern Washington.
Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 406 Tacoma Ave., Tacoma, Western Washington.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Abrams, Ellensburg.

13.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized September, 1884.

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbins, Ashton.
Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Thrall, Redfield.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. A. Clark, Lake Preston.

14.

CONNECTICUT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized January, 1885.

President, Mrs. Jacob A. Biddle, 149 High St., Hartford.
Secretary, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New Britain.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St., Hartford.

15.

MISSOURI.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3841 Delmar Ave., St. Louis.
Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3555 Washington Ave., St. Louis.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St. Louis.

16.

ILLINOIS.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1885.

President, Mrs. Isaac Claflin, Lombard.
Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington St., Chicago.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Champaign.

17.

IOWA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1886.

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.
Secretary, Mrs. L. F. Berry, 222 Green St., Ottumwa.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St., Dubuque.

18.

CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
Organized October, 1887.

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 686 34th St., Oakland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. W. Eckley, 1521 Schilla St., Alameda.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St., Oakland.

19.

NEBRASKA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized November, 1887.

President, Mrs. Whitfield Sanford, York.
Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Smith, 716 High St., Beatrice.
Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Wannamaker, 24th & Vine Sts., Lincoln.

20.

FLORIDA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized February, 1888.

President, Mrs. S. F. Gale, Jacksonville.
Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Barrows, Winter Park.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Interlachen.

21.

INDIANA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,

Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. E. C. Bell, 221 Christian Ave., Indianapolis.
Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Michigan City.

22.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1888.

President, Mrs. Emma Cash, 1710 Temple St., Los Angeles.
Secretary, Mrs. H. K. W. Bent, Box 442, Pasadena.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Spencer, 419 W. Second St., Los Angeles.

23.

VERMONT.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. B. Swift, 167 King Street, Burlington.
Secretary, Mrs. M. K. Paine, Windsor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. P. Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury.

24.

COLORADO AND EASTERN WYOMING.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1888.

President, Mrs. J. W. Pickett, White Water, Colorado.
Secretary, Mrs. Charles Westley, Denver, Colorado.
Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.
For Wyoming, Mrs. C. M. Day, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

25.

GEORGIA.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized November, 1888.

President, Mrs. A. F. Sherrill, 19 Highland Ave., Atlanta.
Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Kellam, 54 Marietta St., Atlanta.
Treasurer, Miss Virginia Holmes, Barnesville.

26.

ALABAMA.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized March, 1873.

Re-organized April, 1889.
President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.
Secretary, Miss S. S. Evans, 2519 Third Ave., Birmingham.
Treasurer, Miss M. K. Lunt, Selma.

27.

MISSISSIPPI.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized April, 1889.

President, Miss Sarah Dickey, Clinton.
Secretary, Miss Alice Flagg, Tougaloo.
Treasurer, Miss Mary Gibson, Tougaloo.

25.
LOUISIANA.WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized April, 1889.*President*, Miss Jennie Pyfe, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Secretary*, Miss Anna F. Condict, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. S. Shattuck, Amite City.29.
ARKANSAS, KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE.WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE CENTRAL SOUTH ASSOCIATION,
Organized April, 1889.*President*, Mrs. E. M. Cravath, Fisk University Nashville, Tenn.*Secretary*, Mrs. Anna Cahill Bennett, Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.*Treasurer*, Mrs. Joseph Smith, Chattanooga.30.
NORTH CAROLINA.WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1889.*President*, Miss M. E. Wilcox, Beaufort.*Secretary*, Miss A. E. Farrington, Raleigh.*Treasurer*, Mrs. Geo. S. Smith, 116 W. South St. Raleigh.31.
TEXAS.WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized March, 1890.*President*, Mrs. S. E. Acheson, 1219 W. Woodard St., Denison.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. A. McCoy, 198 No. Harwood St., Dallas.*Treasurer*, Mrs. C. J. Scofield, Lock Box 220, Dallas.32.
MONTANA.WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized May, 1890.*President*, Mrs. F. D. Kelsey, Helena.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. S. Ben, 410 Dearborn Ave. Helena.*Treasurer*, Mrs. S. A. Wallace, Billings.33.
PENNSYLVANIA.WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized June, 1890.*President*, Mrs. W. H. Osterhout, Ridgway.*Secretary*, Mrs. C. F. Yennie, Ridgway.*Treasurer*, Mrs. T. W. Jones, 218 So. 37th St., Philadelphia.34.
OKLAHOMA.WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION,
Organized October, 1890.*President*, Miss M. McConnell, Guthrie.*Secretary*, Mrs. L. E. Kimball, Guthrie.*Treasurer*, Mrs. L. S. Childs, Choctaw City.35.
NEW JERSEY.WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION OF THE NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION, INCLUDING DIST. COLUMBIA, MARYLAND, AND VIRGINIA.
Organized March, 1891.*President*, Mrs. J. R. D. Noyes, 163 Union St., Montclair.*Secretary*, Mrs. W. O. Weeden, Upper Montclair.*Treasurer*, Mrs. J. H. Denison, 150 Belleville Ave., Newark.36.
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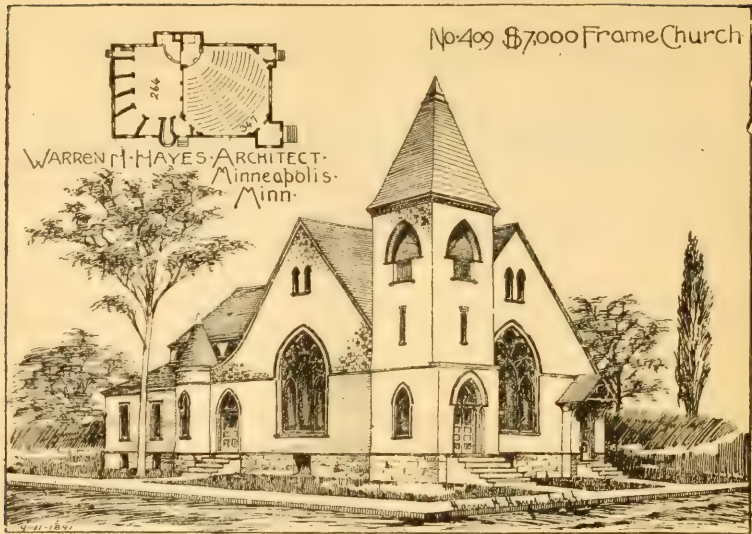
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